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February 16,	2012										
FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANCE COMMISSION							т	OMB APPROVAL			
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549							OMB Number:	3235-0287			
Check this	washington, D.C. 20349							January 31,			
if no long	er STATEN	MENT O	F CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF						Expires: 2005		
subject to STATEMENTO Section 16.			SECURITIES					Estimated average burden hours per			
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may conti <i>See</i> Instru 1(b).	nue. Section 170		of the Inv	•	.			f 1935 or Sectio 40	on		
(Print or Type R	esponses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Nesi Victor			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
			-	Symbol STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP [SF]				(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (Middle)	3. Date of	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			(Check an applicable)				
			(Month/Day/Year)					_X_ Director 10% Owner			
1545 FAIRFIELD BEACH RD			02/14/2012					XOfficer (give titleOther (specify below) below) Director			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)			
FAIRFIELD	CT 06824							•	One Reporting Po More than One Ro		
								Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-Do	erivative S	ecuriti	es Aco	quired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year		emed on Date, if	3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct	Indirect		
(Instr. 3)		any (Month/	/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			(D) or Indirect (I)	Beneficial Ownership		
								Following Reported	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
						(A) or		Transaction(s)			
				Code V	Amount		Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock								90,599	D		
Common Stock								4,088	Ι	by Trust	
STOCK											

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pr Deri Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	02/14/2012		А	10,928	<u>(1)</u>	(2)	Common Stock	10,928	S
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	02/14/2012		А	2,732	(3)	(2)	Common Stock	2,732	0
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	02/14/2012		А	10,929	<u>(1)</u>	(2)	Common Stock	10,929	9
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	02/14/2012		А	27,322	(4)	(2)	Common Stock	27,322	c ,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Nesi Victor 1545 FAIRFIELD BEACH RD FAIRFIELD, CT 06824	Х		Director				

Signatures

VICTOR J NESI <u>**</u>Signature of Reporting Person 02/16/2012 Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Units vest in 20% increments over a five year period.
- (2) No expiration date for these Units.
- (3) Units vest 100% five years from the grant date.

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(4) Units vest in equal yearly increments over a ten year period. This vesting may be accelerated based on the Company's performance.

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