FORM 4

Instruction 1(b)

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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F CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

| Name and Address of Reporting Person* WEST CATHERINE | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CAPITAL ONE FINANCIAL CORP [COF] | | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specif | | | | vner |
|--|---|--|--|------------|-------------------------|--|---|------------|-----------------------------------|---|--|----------------------------------|--|---|---|---|---------------------|--|--|
| (Last) 1680 CA | (F APITAL ON | irst) E DRIVE | (Middle) | | Date (| | iest Tran | saction (M | onth/I | Day/Year) | - ' | below) Executive Vice President | | | | peony | | | |
| (Street) MCLEA | Street) MCLEAN VA 22102 | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | |
| (City) | (S | tate) | (Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Table I - Non-Deriva 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D | | | | action | action 2 Day/Year) i | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 | | | 5. Amou Securitie Benefici Owned F | nt of es ally Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | |
| | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount (A) or (D) | | Price | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | (Instr. 4) | | |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | | | | 07/22/2005 | | 5 | | | М | | 19,16 | 9,166 A | | \$48.54 | 4 105,961 | | | D | |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | | | 07/22 | 07/22/2005 | | | | M | | 7,752 | 2 / | 1 | \$48.54 | 113 | 3,713 | | D | | |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | | | 07/22 | 07/22/2005 | | | | M | | 17,24 | 8 / | 1 | \$34.13 | 3 130 | 0,961 | | D | | |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | | | 07/22 | 22/2005 | | | | S | | 44,16 | 6 I |) | \$85 | 86 | 5,795 | | D | | |
| | | | Table II - | | | | | | | | osed of, onverti | | | - | Owned | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day | Date, | | ransaction ode (Instr. | | of E | | 6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea | | of Secu Underly Derivat | 7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4) | e (s I dly I | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisal | | Expiration Date | Title | or Nu of | ımber | | | | | |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$48.54 | 07/22/2005 | | | M | | | 7,752 | (2) | 1 | 10/17/2006 | Commo Stock | n 7 | ,752 | \$0 | 57,248 | 3 | D | |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$48.54 | 07/22/2005 | | | M | | | 19,166 | (3) | 1 | 10/17/2011 | Commo Stock | n 19 | 9,166 | \$0 | 28,403 | 3 | D | |
| Employee Stock Option | \$34.13 | 07/22/2005 | | | М | | | 17,248 | (4) | | 12/06/2012 | Commo | n 17 | 7,248 | \$0 | 21,152 | 2 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. This transaction was executed pursuant to a trading plan entered into by the Reporting Person on November 12, 2004 in accordance with Rule 10b5-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- 2. This option becomes exercisable in 33 1/3% increments beginning on October 18, 2002 and annually from that date thereafter.
- 3. This option became exercisable if, among other possible criteria, the Company achieved a cumulative earnings per share of more than \$5.03 in four consecutive fiscal quarters prior to December 31, 2004. This criterion was fulfilled on March 31, 2004 and these stock options vested in their entirety on April 22, 2004.
- 4. This option became exercisable in 33 1/3% increments beginning on December 6, 2003 and annually from that date thereafter.

Remarks:

(Right to Buv)

> By: Polly A. Nyquist (POA on File)

07/26/2005

** Signature of Reporting Person

Stock

Date

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

- * 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).

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