

Raney Steven M
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Raney Steven M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL INC [RJF]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
880 CARILLON PARKWAY
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/04/2008

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
President & CEO RJBank

ST. PETERSBURG, FL 33716

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/04/2008		P	V Amount (A) or (D) Price 370 A \$ 19.22	10,998	D	
Common Stock					70 ⁽²⁾	I	ESOP

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative 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. P... Der... Sec... (Ins...	
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V (A) (D)		
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 30.44					11/27/2010 01/27/2013	Common Stock	30.44 <u>(1)</u>	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Raney Steven M 880 CARILLON PARKWAY ST. PETERSBURG, FL 33716			President & CEO RJBank	

Signatures

Steven M.
Raney 03/04/2008

__Signature of Reporting Person 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) Options Becoming exercisable - 3,225 on 11/27/2010, 2,775 on 11/27/2011 and 1,500 on 11/27/2012
- (2) Includes shares acquired under ESOP through 03/03/08

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