

GOETHE ROBERT A
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FORM 4

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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 *
GOETHE ROBERT A

(Last) (First) (Middle)
7130 GOODLETT FARMS PKWY.,
A4E
(Street)

CORDOVA, TN 38016

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
REGIONS FINANCIAL CORP [RF]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/20/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
Chmn & CEO--Regions Mortgage

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	12/20/2005		A	5,175 A \$ 0	64,366.798	D	
Common Stock					172	I	By Child(ren)

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)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 34.66	12/20/2005		A		39,504		<u>(1)</u>	12/20/2012	Common Stock	39,504
Phantom Stock Units (401k)	\$ 0 <u>(2)</u>							<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Common Stock	4,962
Stock Option	\$ 31.39							10/09/1998	10/09/2007	Common Stock	4,875
Stock Option	\$ 33.48							04/09/1999	04/09/2008	Common Stock	13,889
Stock Option	\$ 28.88							08/30/2000	08/30/2009	Common Stock	13,889
Stock Option	\$ 25.66							02/19/2004	02/19/2010	Common Stock	24,692
Stock Option	\$ 25.66							02/19/2005	02/19/2010	Common Stock	12,346
Stock Option	\$ 25.66							12/20/2005	02/19/2010	Common Stock	8,448
Stock Option	\$ 25.66							02/19/2006	02/19/2010	Common Stock	3,898
Stock Option	\$ 16.28							03/15/2001	03/15/2010	Common Stock	18,519
Stock Option	\$ 22.6							01/16/2002	01/16/2011	Common Stock	15,433
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Stock Option	\$ 28.17							04/21/2005	04/21/2011	Common Stock	20,577

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Stock Option	\$ 28.17	12/20/2005	04/21/2011	Common Stock	37,604
Stock Option	\$ 28.17	04/21/2007	04/21/2011	Common Stock	3,549
Stock Option	\$ 33.82	12/20/2005	10/15/2011	Common Stock	90,000
Stock Option	\$ 25.02	01/22/2003	01/22/2012	Common Stock	15,433
Stock Option	\$ 25.02	01/22/2004	01/22/2012	Common Stock	7,716
Stock Option	\$ 25.02	01/22/2005	01/22/2012	Common Stock	7,716

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GOETHE ROBERT A 7130 GOODLETT FARMS PKWY., A4E CORDOVA, TN 38016			Chmn & CEO--Regions Mortgage	

Signatures

By: Ronald C. Jackson 12/20/2005

__Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) The option becomes exercisable in three equal installments on December 20, 2006, 2007 and 2008.
- (2) The reported phantom stock units were acquired under Regions' benefit plans.

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