

RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL INC
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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 *
 ZANK DENNIS W

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)
 09/02/2008

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 President of RJA

ST. PETERSBURG, FL 33716
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	09/02/2008		S	41,713 D	\$ 31.1009 217,268	D	
					(1)		
Common Stock	09/02/2008		S	11,300 D	\$ 31.5298 205,968	D	
					(2)		
Common Stock					44,266 (3)	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. F	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Common Stock	\$ 16.8					12/04/2006	02/04/2009	Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	7,200
Common Stock	\$ 16.8					01/04/2008	02/04/2009	Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	10,800
Common Stock	\$ 24.9733					12/01/2008	02/01/2012	Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	15,000
Common Stock	\$ 30.44					11/27/2010	01/27/2013	Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	15,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ZANK DENNIS W 880 CARILLON PARKWAY ST. PETERSBURG, FL 33716			President of RJA	

Signatures

Dennis Zank

09/03/2008

**Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) This transaction was executed in multiple trades. 41,713 shares were executed at prices ranging from \$30.49 to \$31.48. The price reported above reflects the weighted average purchase price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transactions were effected.

(2) This transaction was executed in multiple trades. 11,300 shares were executed at prices ranging from \$31.49 to \$31.61. The price reported above reflects the weighted average purchase price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transactions were effected.

(3) Includes number of shares acquired under ESOP through 09/02/2008.

(4) Options Currently Exercisable - 5,400, Options Becoming Exercisable -5,400 on 1/04/2009.

(5) Options Becoming Exercisable - 3,750 on 12/01/2008, 3,750 on 12/01/2009, 3,750 on 12/01/2010, and 3,750 on 2/01/2011.

(6) Options Becoming Exercisable - 9,000 on 11/27/2010, 208 on 11/27/2011, 2,792 on 11/27/2012 and 3,000 on 11/27/2013.

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