

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

FORM 5

Annual statement of changes in beneficial ownership of securities

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Fessenden Daniel J.

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ISSUER

TOMPKINS FINANCIAL CORP

CIK: **1005817** | IRS No.: **161482357** | State of Incorpor.: **NY** | Fiscal Year End: **1231**
SIC: **6022** State commercial banks

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FORM 5

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Form 3 Holdings Reported

Form 4 Transactions Reported

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person Fessenden Daniel J.			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol TOMPKINS FINANCIAL CORP [TMP]		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2012			
C/O TOMPKINS FINANCIAL CORPORATION, P.O. BOX 460			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting (Check applicable line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person	
(Street) ITHACA, NY 14851						
(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 at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Amount	(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock						925.896 ⁽¹⁾	D	

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
Phantom Stock							(2)	(2)	Common Stock	1,524.23	1,524.23	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Includes shares acquired for service on business development board and payment of meeting(s) fees, and reinvestment of quarterly cash dividends.
- Each share of phantom stock is the economic equivalent of one share of common stock. Phantom stock represents deferred stock compensation under the Amended and Restated Retainer Plan for Eligible Directors of Tompkins Financial Corporation and its Wholly-Owned Subsidiaries.

These shares are held in a rabbi trust pending distribution upon the occurrence of certain events specified in the Plan. The reporting person has no voting or investment power over the shares prior to such distribution.

Signatures

/s/Daniel J. Fessenden

** Signature of Reporting Person

01/11/2013

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).

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