

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

## FORM 4

Statement of changes in beneficial ownership of securities

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### REPORTING OWNER

#### **RIESS RICHARD K**

CIK: **1182228**

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### ISSUER

#### **RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL INC**

CIK: **720005** | IRS No.: **591517485** | State of Incorporation: **FL** | Fiscal Year End: **0628**

SIC: **6211** Security brokers, dealers & flotation companies

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### 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 <b>RIESS RICHARD K</b>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <b>RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL INC</b> <b>[RJF]</b>			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) ____ Director _____ 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title _____ Other (specify below) <b>Executive Vice President</b>		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <b>12/07/2007</b>					
880 CARILLON PARKWAY			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check applicable line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form Filed by One Reporting Person ____ Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(Street)								
ST. PETERSBURG, FL 33716								
(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	12/07/2007		A		9,689 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	\$ 0	57,980	D	
Common Stock								20,564 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	ESOP

**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)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$16.8							12/04/2006	02/04/2009	Common Stock	16,200	16,200 <sup>(3)</sup>	D	

Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$24.9733							12/01/2008	02/01/2012	Common Stock	15,000		15,000 <sup>(4)</sup>	D
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$30.44							11/27/2010	01/27/2013	Common Stock	15,000		15,000 <sup>(5)</sup>	D

**Explanation of Responses:**

1. Award of stock as portion of annual bonus
2. Includes number of shares acquired under ESOP through 12/10/2007
3. Options Currently Exercisable - 5,400, Options Becoming exercisable - 5,400 on 01/04/2008 and 5,400 on 01/04/2009
4. 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 2/1/2011
5. Options Becoming exercisable - 9,000 on 11/27/2010, 3,000 on 11/27/2011 and 3,000 on 11/27/2012

**Signatures**

Richard K. Riess

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

12/10/2007

Date

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

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