HELCK CHESTER B

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading HELCK CHESTER B Issuer Symbol RAYMOND JAMES FINANCIAL (Check all applicable) INC [RJF] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X__ Director 10% Owner __Other (specify X_ Officer (give title) (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 880 CARILLON PARKWAY 12/15/2006 **Chief Operating Officer** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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(City)	(State) (2	Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or			5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct			
(Instr. 3)	•	any	Code	Disposed of (D)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or		Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	12/15/2006		G	2,000	D	\$0	85,812	D	
Common Stock	12/15/2006		G	2,000	A	\$0	4,029	I	Spouse
Common Stock							6,991 <u>(1)</u>	Ι	ESOP

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. DriNumber 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
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.2222					11/28/2004	01/28/2007	Common Stock	13,500
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.0222					12/10/2005	02/10/2008	Common Stock	99,141 (2)
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.0222					12/10/2005	02/10/2008	Common Stock	13,358 (3)
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.8					12/04/2006	02/04/2009	Common Stock	7,200
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.8					01/04/2008	02/04/2009	Common Stock	10,800 (4)
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24.9733					12/01/2008	02/01/2011	Common Stock	15,000 (5)

8. In Section (Institute 1)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HELCK CHESTER B

880 CARILLON PARKWAY X Chief Operating Officer

ST. PETERSBURG, FL 33716

Signatures

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**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) Includes number of shares acquired under ESOP through 12/15/2006
- (2) Options currently exercisable 65,664, Options Becoming exercisable 18,108 on 12/10/2006 and 15,369 on 12/10/2007
- (3) Options currently exercisable 1,836, Options Becoming exercisable 4,392 on 12/10/2006 and 7,130 on 12/10/2007
- (4) Options Becoming exercisable 5,400 on 1/4/2008, and 5,400 on 1/4/2009
- (5) Options Becoming exercisable 9,000 on 12/01/2008, 3,000 on 12/01/2009 and 3,000 on 12/1/2010

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