JACOBS TERRY S

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * JACOBS TERRY S			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP INC [AFG]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) ONE EAST	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of (Month/D) 02/17/20	-	ransaction			_X_ Director Officer (give below)		Owner er (specify	
				ndment, Da nth/Day/Year		1		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D) Oerivative	Secur	rities Aca	uired, Disposed o	f. or Beneficial	lv Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction D (Month/Day/Yea	r) Execution		3.	4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	ties A spose 4 and (A) or	cquired d of (D)	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	
Common Stock	02/17/2006			M	5,000	A	\$ 22.34	13,723	D		
Common Stock								8.425	I	DRIP (1)	

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)			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	\$ 22.34	02/17/2006		M	;	5,000	06/06/2003	06/06/2013	Common Stock	5,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

JACOBS TERRY S
ONE EAST FOURTH STREET X
CINCINNATI, OH 45202

Signatures

Terry S. Jacobs By: Karl J. Grafe as Attorney-in-Fact 02/21/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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) These shares were purchased through, and are held in, the Issuer's Dividend Reinvestment Plan ("DRIP").

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