

AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP INC

Form 4

September 14, 2006

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
EVANS JAMES E

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) (First) (Middle)
ONE EAST FOURTH STREET
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
09/12/2006

☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)
Sr. V. Pres. & Gen. Counsel

CINCINNATI, OH 45202

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
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Person

(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)
Common Stock	09/12/2006		M	V Amount (A) or (D) Price 19,700 A \$ 37.88	137,019	D	
Common Stock	09/12/2006		S	100 D \$ 47.77	136,919	D	
Common Stock	09/12/2006		S	1,400 D \$ 47.78	135,519	D	
Common Stock	09/12/2006		S	4,900 D \$ 47.79	130,619	D	
Common Stock	09/12/2006		S	1,800 D \$ 47.8	128,819	D	

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Common Stock	09/12/2006	S	200	D	\$ 47.81	128,619	D
Common Stock	09/12/2006	S	300	D	\$ 47.82	128,319	D
Common Stock	09/12/2006	S	500	D	\$ 47.83	127,819	D
Common Stock	09/12/2006	S	10,500	D	\$ 47.84	117,319	D
Common Stock	09/13/2006	M	10,300	A	\$ 37.88	127,619	D
Common Stock	09/13/2006	M	35,000	A	\$ 42.06	162,619	D
Common Stock	09/13/2006	M	45,000	A	\$ 35.69	207,619	D
Common Stock	09/13/2006	M	40,000	A	\$ 19.54	247,619	D
Common Stock	09/13/2006	S	300	D	\$ 47.75	247,319	D
Common Stock	09/13/2006	S	8,500	D	\$ 47.76	238,819	D
Common Stock	09/13/2006	S	1,000	D	\$ 47.77	237,819	D
Common Stock	09/13/2006	S	2,300	D	\$ 47.78	235,519	D
Common Stock	09/13/2006	S	1,700	D	\$ 47.79	233,819	D
Common Stock	09/13/2006	S	2,600	D	\$ 47.8	231,219	D
Common Stock	09/13/2006	S	13,500	D	\$ 47.81	217,719	D
Common Stock	09/13/2006	S	4,100	D	\$ 47.82	213,619	D
Common Stock	09/13/2006	S	6,000	D	\$ 47.83	207,619	D
Common Stock	09/13/2006	S	4,300	D	\$ 47.84	203,319	D
Common Stock	09/13/2006	S	18,400	D	\$ 47.85	184,919	D
Common Stock	09/13/2006	S	500	D	\$ 47.86	184,419	D
	09/13/2006	S	7,400	D		177,019	D

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Common Stock					\$ 47.87			
Common Stock	09/13/2006		S	600	D	\$ 47.88	176,419	D
Common Stock							5,963.778	I ESPP ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock							24.4627	I DRIP ⁽²⁾
Common Stock							0	I 401-K

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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 37.88	09/12/2006		M	19,700	⁽³⁾ 03/14/2007	Common Stock 19,700
Employee Stock Option	\$ 37.88	09/13/2006		M	10,300	⁽³⁾ 03/14/2007	Common Stock 10,300
Employee Stock Option	\$ 42.06	09/13/2006		M	35,000	⁽³⁾ 03/20/2008	Common Stock 35,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 35.69	09/13/2006		M	45,000	⁽³⁾ 02/26/2009	Common Stock 45,000
Employee Stock Option	\$ 19.84	09/13/2006		M	40,000	⁽³⁾ 02/21/2010	Common Stock 40,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
EVANS JAMES E ONE EAST FOURTH STREET CINCINNATI, OH 45202	X		Sr. V. Pres. & Gen. Counsel	

Signatures

James E. Evans By: Karl J. Grafe, as
Attorney-in-Fact

09/14/2007

__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) Shares allocated to the Reporting Person's account under the Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the "ESPP"). All ESPP information reporting herein is based on a plan statement dated as of December 31, 2005.
- (2) Issuer's Dividend Reinvestment Plan (the "DRIP"). All DRIP information reported herein is based on a plan statement dated as of December 31, 2005.
- (3) These Employee Stock Options ("Options") become exercisable as to 20% of the shares initially granted on the first anniversary of the date of grant, with an additional 20% becoming exercisable on each subsequent anniversary. The Options were granted under the Issuer's Stock Option Plan pursuant to Rule 16b-3.

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