FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS INC

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

BIRMINGHAM MARTIN KEARNEY		Symbol FINAN [FISI]	NCIAL INSTITUTIONS INC	Issuer (Chec	Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last) 220 LIBER	(First) (M		of Earliest Transaction Day/Year) 2016	below)	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify				
WARSAW,	(Street) NY 14569	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by	_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting						
(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)	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Prior	O) Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)				
Common Stock	08/17/2016		P 5,000 A \$ 26.6	85,632	D				
Common Stock				8,528 <u>(1)</u>	I	Held in 401K Plan			
Common Stock				7,500	I	Held in IRA			

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

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BIRMINGHAM MARTIN KEARNEY 220 LIBERTY STREET WARSAW, NY 14569

President & CEO

Signatures

/s/ Michael D. Grover, by power of attorney

08/19/2016

**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) Includes 125 shares acquired under the FISI 401(k) plan since the date of the reporting person's last ownership report.

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