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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20529

FORM 11-K

**(Mark One)**

Annual Report Pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2006

OR

Transition Report Pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Commission File Number: 001-12669

A. Full title of the plan and the address of the plan, if different from that of the issuer named below:

**South Carolina Bank and Trust Employees' Savings Plan**

950 John C. Calhoun Drive, S. E.  
Orangeburg, South Carolina 29115

B. Name of issuer of the securities held pursuant to the plan and the address of its principal executive office:

SCBT FINANCIAL CORPORATION  
520 Gervais Street  
Columbia, South Carolina 29201

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**South Carolina Bank and Trust Employees' Savings Plan**  
**Financial Statements with Supplementary Information**  
**December 31, 2006 and 2005 and for the Year Ended December 31, 2006**  
*And Report of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm*

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**REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM**

To the Trustees of the  
South Carolina Bank and Trust Employees' Savings Plan

We have audited the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits of the South Carolina Bank and Trust Employees' Savings Plan (the Plan) as of December 31, 2006 and 2005, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2006. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Plan's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. The Plan is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audit included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Plan's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the net assets available for benefits of the Plan as of December 31, 2006 and 2005, and the changes in net assets available for benefits for the year ended December 31, 2006, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The supplemental Schedule H, Line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) as of December 31, 2006, is presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosures under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974. This supplemental schedule is the responsibility of the Plan's management. The supplemental schedule has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

J. W. Hunt and Company, LLP  
Columbia, South Carolina  
June 22, 2007

**South Carolina Bank and Trust Employees' Savings Plan**  
**Statements of Net Assets Available for Benefits**

	December 31,	
	2006	2005
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Investments, at fair value:		
Mutual funds	\$ 10,701,054	\$ 8,615,968
SCBT Financial Corporation stock	3,326,131	2,423,953
Certificate of deposit	1,670,619	1,590,262
Money market funds	13,816	7,772
Investments, at contract value:		
New York Life Insurance Company,		
Investment contracts	1,863,149	1,698,730
<b>Total investments</b>	<b>17,574,769</b>	<b>14,336,685</b>
Receivables:		
Employer's contribution	983,370	434,518
Interest	--	13,268
Other	1,763	--
<b>Total receivables</b>	<b>985,133</b>	<b>447,786</b>
<b>Total assets</b>	<b>18,559,902</b>	<b>14,784,471</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>		
Net assets available for benefits	\$ 18,559,902	\$ 14,784,471

The Accompanying Notes are an Integral Part of the Financial Statements.

**South Carolina Bank and Trust Employees' Savings Plan  
Statement of Changes in Net Assets Available for Benefits  
Year Ended December 31, 2006**

**Additions to net assets attributed to:**

Investment income:

Interest	\$ 155,463
Dividends	329,184
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	1,504,039
<b>Total investment income</b>	<b>1,988,686</b>

Contributions:

Employer's	991,486
Participants'	1,814,256
<b>Total contributions</b>	<b>2,805,742</b>
<b>Total additions</b>	<b>4,794,428</b>

**Deductions from net assets attributed to:**

Benefits paid to participants	1,003,587
Administrative expenses	15,410
<b>Total deductions</b>	<b>1,018,997</b>

<b>Net increase</b>	<b>3,775,431</b>
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**Net assets available for benefits:**

Balance, beginning of year	14,784,471
<b>Balance, end of year</b>	<b>\$ 18,559,902</b>

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**South Carolina Bank and Trust Employees' Savings Plan  
Notes to Financial Statements**

**Note 1 – Description of Plan**

The following description of the South Carolina Bank and Trust (a wholly-owned subsidiary of SCBT Financial Corporation) Employees' Savings Plan ("Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

*General:*

The Plan is a contributory defined contribution plan covering all employees of South Carolina Bank and Trust, N.A. (the "Company") and all affiliates of the Company who work twenty or more hours per week and are age twenty-one or older. Effective April 1, 2007, employees are no longer required to complete six months of service and can enter the Plan on or after the first day of each month. It is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

*Contributions:*

Each year, participants may contribute up to 50% of pretax annual base compensation, as defined in the Plan. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified retirement plans. Participants direct the investment of their contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan.

For employees who have attained the age of 45 and have at least five vesting years of service as of January 1, 2006, the Company contributes 50% of the first 6% of base compensation that a participant contributes to the Plan up to a maximum matching contribution of 3% of base compensation. For employees who have not attained the age of 45 or have less than five vesting years of service as of January 1, 2006, the Company will contribute 100% of the first 6% of base compensation that a participant contributes. For employees hired on or after January 1, 2006, the Company will contribute 100% of the first 6% of base compensation that a participant contributes. Employer contributions may be made from current or accumulated net profits. Contributions are subject to certain limitations.

Effective April 1, 2007, the Company will automatically enroll the employee and defer 2% of his or her salary within the Plan if he or she does not elect to defer his or her salary by the election date.

*Participant accounts:*

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contribution, the Company's matching contribution and allocations of Plan earnings. Allocations are based on account balances, as defined by the Plan. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's account.

**Note 1 – Description of Plan (continued)***Vesting:*

Participants' accounts are fully vested for employee contributions.

Employer matching contributions for the accounts of participants hired before January 1, 2006 are fully vested. The following vesting schedule applies for employer matching contributions for participants hired on or after January 1, 2006:

<u>Years of Service</u>	<u>Vested Percentage</u>
Less than 2	0%
2	25%
3	50%
4	75%
5 or more	100%

A three-year cliff vesting schedule would be in effect for those participants hired on or after January 1, 2006 if the Plan were to become categorized as top-heavy. An employee must complete at least 1,000 hours of service during a vesting computation period to receive credit for a year of service. The Plan measures a year of service on the basis of the 12-consecutive month period of the Plan year.

*Payment of benefits:*

On termination of service due to death, disability, retirement, or other reasons, a participant may leave the funds in the plan or receive a lump-sum amount equal to the value of his or her account.

*Investment options:*

Upon enrollment in the Plan, a participant may direct employee contributions in any of the following investment options. Effective April 1, 2007, if the employee does not elect an investment allocation, the Plan administrator will select a retirement-based portfolio according to the employee's number of years until retirement age. The Plan's investment valuations are now generally provided on a daily basis.

*Guaranteed Interest Account* - Funds are invested in guaranteed investment contracts (GIC) with an insurance company and certificates of deposit with the Company.

*Indexed Bond Fund* - Funds are invested primarily in fixed income securities of the Citigroup Broad Investment Grade Bond Index.

*Income Manager Fund* - Funds are invested primarily in domestic and foreign common stocks, U.S. Treasuries and agencies, investment-grade corporate bonds, mortgage pass-through securities, asset-backed securities and money market instruments.

*S&P 500 Index Fund* - Funds are invested in common stocks replicating the Standard and Poor's 500 Composite Index.

*All Cap Growth Fund* - Funds are invested primarily in stocks issued by companies with investment characteristics such as: participation in expanding markets, increasing return on investment, increasing unit sales volume, and higher growth in revenue and earnings per share relative to the average of common stocks comprising indices such as the

Standard and Poor's 500 Composite Index.

*EuroPacific Growth Fund* - The fund normally invests at least 80% of assets in equity securities of issuers domiciled in Europe and the Pacific Basin. It may also hold cash or money market instruments. The fund seeks long-term growth of capital.



**Note 1 – Description of Plan (continued)**

*SCBT Financial Corporation Stock Fund* - The SCBT Financial Corporation Stock Fund invests only in SCBT Financial Corporation common shares and money market equivalents.

**Note 2 – Summary of Significant Accounting Policies**

*Basis of Accounting:*

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared using the accrual method of accounting in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

*Investment Valuation:*

The Plan's investments are stated at fair value except for its benefit-responsive investment contracts, which are valued at contract value (Note 4). Quoted market prices are used to value investments. Shares of mutual funds are valued at the net asset value of shares held by the Plan at year-end.

The Plan provides for various investment options in any combination of stocks or mutual funds. Investment securities are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, market and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities and the level of uncertainty related to changes in the value of investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will change in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statement of net assets available for benefits and the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Investment income includes unrealized appreciation and depreciation of investments.

*Payment of Benefits:*

Benefits are recorded when paid.

*Estimates:*

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

**Note 3 - Investments**

The following presents investments that represent 5% or more of the Plan's net assets:

	<b>December 31,</b>	
	<b>2006</b>	<b>2005</b>
MainStay Income Manager Fund, 177,952 and 162,283 shares, respectively	<b>\$ 2,614,122</b>	\$ 2,215,160
MainStay S&P 500 Index Fund, 141,425 and 127,435 shares, respectively	<b>4,623,169</b>	3,665,026
MainStay All Cap Growth Fund, 98,075 and 84,397 shares, respectively	<b>2,472,482</b>	