

CAPITAL ONE FINANCIAL CORP

Form 4

December 08, 2004

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 *
LAWSON DAVID R

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
CAPITAL ONE FINANCIAL CORP
[COF]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1680 CAPITAL ONE DRIVE

(Street)

MCLEAN, VA 22102

(City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/06/2004

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

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)

Executive Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	12/06/2004		M	8,833 A	\$ 34.13	64,676 D	
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	12/06/2004		S	8,833 D	\$ 78.15	55,843 D	
Common Stock					31,000	I	Lawson Family Trust

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

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(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)	8. D S (I
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 34.13	12/06/2004		M	8,833	<u>(2)</u>	12/06/2012	Common Stock	8,833

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LAWSON DAVID R 1680 CAPITAL ONE DRIVE MCLEAN, VA 22102			Executive Vice President	

Signatures

By: Jean K. Traub (POA
on file) 12/08/2004

__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) This transaction was executed pursuant to a trading plan entered into by the Reporting Person on November 12, 2004 in accordance with Rule 10b5-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- (2) These options become exercisable in 33 1/3% increments beginning on December 6, 2003 and annually from that date thereafter.

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