

WADDELL & REED FINANCIAL INC
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
HERRMANN HENRY J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
WADDELL & REED FINANCIAL INC [WDR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
6300 LAMAR AVENUE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
11/07/2007

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chief Executive Officer

OVERLAND PARK, KS 66202
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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) | | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----------|---|----------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Class A Common | 11/07/2007 | | M | | 155,313 | A | \$ 18 | 1,157,896 | I | Personal Trust |
| Class A Common | 11/07/2007 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 155,313 | D | \$ 33 | 1,002,583 | I | Personal Trust |
| Class A Common | | | | | | | | 31,500 | I | Spouse's Trust |

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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 of Number of Shares |
| NQSO (Right to Buy) | \$ 18 | 11/07/2007 | | M | 155,313 | 02/01/2003 | 03/08/2008 | Class A Common | 155,313 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| HERRMANN HENRY J 6300 LAMAR AVENUE OVERLAND PARK, KS 66202 | X | | Chief Executive Officer | |

Signatures

Henry J. Herrmann 11/08/2007

**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) Private disposition of shares back to the issuer following exercise of stock options expiring 3/5/08.
- (2) Following the above reported transaction, Mr. Herrmann owns, in the aggregate, a remaining 546,468 options outstanding with various exercise prices and grant, vesting and expiration dates.

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