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Transactions Reported

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Plotkin Ben A
Symbol
STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP [SF]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)

12/31/2017

____ Director ____ 10% Owner ____ Other (specify below) below)

787 7TH AVENUE

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(check applicable line)

Vice Chairman and SVP

NEW YORK, NYÂ 10019

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Person

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of (Month/Day/Year) Transaction Securities Form: Direct Indirect Security Execution Date, if Acquired (A) or (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned at end Indirect (I) Ownership of Issuer's (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) (A) Fiscal Year

or Amount (D) Price (Instr. 3 and 4)

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of	8. Pric
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	Number	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities	Deriva
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Securi
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	;		(Instr.

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	Derivative Security				Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	09/15/2017	Â	A	62	Â	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	62	\$ (
Phantom Stock Units	\$0	12/15/2017	Â	A	52	Â	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	52	\$ (

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Troporting O When I thank (I thank o	Director 10% Owner		Officer	Other			
Plotkin Ben A 787 7TH AVENUE NEW YORK. NY 10019	Â	Â	Vice Chairman and SVP	Â			

Signatures

Ben A. Plotkin 02/13/2018

**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).

Phantom stock units acquired pursuant to dividend equivalent rights in respect of previously reported phantom stock units (the "Dividend Equivalent PSUs"). The Dividend Equivalent PSUs accrued in connect with a cash dividend paid by the issuer on the issuer's common stock. The Dividend Equivalent PSUs will vest proportionately with the phantom stock units to which they relate. The Dividend Equivalent PSUs convert to the issuer's common stock on a one-for-one basis.

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