

ALEXANDER JOHN E  
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**FORM 5**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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 Form 3 Holdings Reported Form 4 Transactions Reported

**ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 ALEXANDER JOHN E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 TOMPKINS FINANCIAL CORP  
 [TMP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/31/2010

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

TOMPKINS FINANCIAL CORPORATION, PO BOX 460

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

(check applicable line)

ITHACA, NY 14851

Form Filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock Drip	11/15/2010	^	L	899.4 A \$ 0 (1)	7,176	I	By Rabbi Trust
Common Stock Drip	11/15/2010	^	L	127.7 A \$ 0 (2)	3,838	D	^
Common Stock Drip	11/15/2010	^	L	15.5 A \$ 0 (2)	450	I	By Spouse
Common Stock	11/16/2010	^	L	755 A \$ 0 (2)	24,803	D	^

Common Stock - Ira                                                                                                                                        750                      D                     

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 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)
7% Convertible Trust Preferred	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> (A) <input type="checkbox"/> (D)	Date Exercisable: 04/15/2019 Expiration Date: 03/31/2039	Title: Common Stock Amount or Number of Shares: 60,459
7% Convertible Trust Preferred	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> (A) <input type="checkbox"/> (D)	Date Exercisable: 04/15/2019 Expiration Date: 03/31/2039	Title: Common Stock Amount or Number of Shares: 60,459

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ALEXANDER JOHN E TOMPKINS FINANCIAL CORPORATION PO BOX 460 ITHACA, NY 14851	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## Signatures

/s/John E. Alexander                      02/10/2011

\*\*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) Shares acquired through deferral of retainer and/or meeting attendance fees, and reinvestment of quarterly cash dividends.

(2) Shares acquired through reinvestment of quarterly cash dividends.

The Trust Preferred Securities were issued by Tompkins Capital Trust I, all of the common securities of which are owned by Tompkins Financial Corporation (TMP). The Trust Preferred Securities are convertible, at any time on or after April 15, 2019, into TMP Common Stock at a price of \$41.35 per share or, if higher, the average of the closing prices of TMP Common Stock on the trading days in the calendar quarter preceding the date of conversion. The amount set out in Item #7 above uses the \$41.35 conversion price.

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