

E TRADE FINANCIAL CORP
Form 8-K
July 28, 2005

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

**CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT
TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): July 25, 2005

E*TRADE Financial Corporation

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware
(State or other Jurisdiction

of incorporation)

1-11921
(Commission File Number)

94-2844166
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

135 East 57th Street

New York, New York
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

10022
(Zip Code)

(646) 521-4300

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(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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- .. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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 - .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 5.02(b). Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

E*TRADE Financial Corporation announces that Lester Thurow, a member of the Board of Directors since April of 1996, gave notice on July 25, 2005 that he will retire, effective as of the same date.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Company has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

E*TRADE Financial Corporation

Date: July 28, 2005

By: /s/ RUSSELL S. ELMER

Name: Russell S. Elmer

Title: Corporate Secretary