

CHEMICAL FINANCIAL CORP  
Form 8-K  
January 21, 2005

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**UNITED STATES  
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): **January 17, 2005**

**Chemical Financial Corporation**  
(Exact Name of Registrant as  
Specified in its Charter)

**Michigan**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**000-08185**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**38-2022454**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**333 E. Main Street**  
**Midland, Michigan**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**48640**  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(989) 839-5350**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- 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      Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.**

On January 17, 2005, the Board of Directors of Chemical Financial Corporation (the "Company") appointed Gary E. Anderson as a director of the Company. Mr. Anderson is Chairman of the Board of Dow Corning Corporation. Mr. Anderson has worked with Dow Corning Corporation since 1967 and has served Dow Corning Corporation in various executive capacities for over 25 years. Before his appointment, Mr. Anderson served as a director of Chemical Bank and Trust Company, a subsidiary of the Company, since January 2001. Mr. Anderson was appointed to the following standing committees of the Board of Directors of the Company: the Audit Committee; the Compensation Committee; the Pension Committee; and the Investment Committee.

**SIGNATURES**

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

Dated: January 21, 2005

CHEMICAL FINANCIAL CORPORATION  
(Registrant)

/s/ Lori A. Gwizdala

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Lori A. Gwizdala  
Executive Vice President, Chief Financial  
Officer and Treasurer