CHEMICAL FINANCIAL CORP

Form 4

February 18, 2016

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Rathbun Robert

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

CHEMICAL FINANCIAL CORP

(Check all applicable)

[CHFC]

(Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner __X__ Other (specify Officer (give title

(Month/Day/Year)

02/16/2016

below) Officer of Principal Bus. Unit

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Instr. 8)

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Instr. 4)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

below)

MIDLAND, MI 48640

235 E. MAIN STREET

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Middle)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

(Street)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I)

(Instr. 4)

Following Reported Transaction(s)

(A)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

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

2. Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Securities Code

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amour **Underlying Securit** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
				Code V	(A) ((D) Date Exerc	cisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amor or Numb of Sh
Stock Options	\$ 32.81	02/16/2016		A	10,200		<u>(1)</u>	02/17/2026	Common Stock	10,2
Restricted Stock Performance Units	(2)	02/16/2016		A	4,286		(2)	<u>(2)</u>	Common Stock	4,2
Restricted Stock Service-Based Units	(3)	02/16/2016		A	637		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	63

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address			Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

Rathbun Robert 235 E. MAIN STREET MIDLAND, MI 48640

Officer of Principal Bus. Unit

Signatures

/s/ Lori A. Gwizdala, His Attorney-In-Fact

02/17/2016

**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) Vests in five equal annual installments beginning on February 16, 2017.

Award of restricted stock performance units pursuant to the Chemical Financial Corporation Stock Incentive Plan of 2015. Restricted stock units under this award are convertible into shares of common stock based on the attainment by the Company of certain financial

- performance criteria in the year ending December 31, 2018 and the reporting person's satisfaction of the service requirement in February 2019. Restricted stock units under this award are reported assuming shares of common stock will be issuable on a 1-for-1 basis, but restricted stock units may be convertible on a basis ranging from 0.5-for-1 to 1.5-for-1 depending on the actual performance of the Company.
- (3) Award of restricted stock service-based units convertible into shares of common stock on a 1-for-1 basis at the end of a 5-year vesting period. Dividend equivalents will accrue under this award.

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