

TOMPKINS FINANCIAL CORP  
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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**BOYCE DAVID S**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**TOMPKINS FINANCIAL CORPORATION, P O BOX 460**

(Street)

**ITHACA, NY 14851**

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**11/24/2015**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 EVP, Pres. & CEO Tompkins Ins.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Stock	11/24/2015		M		9,350	A	\$ 41.71
Common Stock	11/24/2015		F		1,043 (1)	D	\$ 61.46
Common Stock	11/24/2015		F		6,346 (2)	D	\$ 61.46
Common Stock					505.723	I	
Common Stock					1,761.08	I	
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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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Appreciation Rights (SAR)	\$ 41.7091	11/24/2015		M	9,350	(3) 09/17/2019	Common Stock	9,350

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BOYCE DAVID S TOMPKINS FINANCIAL CORPORATION P O BOX 460 ITHACA, NY 14851			EVP, Pres. & CEO Tompkins Ins.	

## Signatures

/s/ David S. Boyce 11/25/2015

\*\*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 withheld for taxes
- (2) Deemed disposition of shares to issuer to satisfy exercise price.

Stock Appreciation Rights (SARs) were granted pursuant to the Tompkins Financial Corporation 2009 Equity Plan. SARs have a seven year vesting schedule with 0% vesting in year one, 17% vesting in years two through six, and 15% vesting in year seven. When exercised, the SARs will be settled in Common Stock of the Company. The grant will expire ten years from the date of the grant.

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