

ARROW 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 *
HOY THOMAS L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
**ARROW FINANCIAL CORP
 [AROW]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/21/2009

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chairman, President & CEO

ARROW FINANCIAL CORPORATION, 250 GLEN STREET

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

GLENS FALLS, NY 12801

(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. Code				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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	V	Amount or Price (A) or (D)			
Common Stock	01/21/2009		J ⁽¹⁾	A	0	\$ 0	91,219	D	
Common Stock	01/21/2009		J ⁽¹⁾	A	0	\$ 0	86	I	ESPP
Common Stock	01/21/2009		J ⁽¹⁾	A	0	\$ 0	34,571	I	ESOP
Common Stock	01/21/2009		J ⁽¹⁾	A	0	\$ 0	2,208	I	Wife's IRA
	01/21/2009		J ⁽¹⁾	A	0	\$ 0	654	I	SEP

Common Stock									
Common Stock	01/21/2009	J ⁽¹⁾	0	A	\$ 0	2,638	I		By Wife w/Broker
Common Stock	01/21/2009	J ⁽¹⁾	0	A	\$ 0	6,504	I		Irrevoc. Trust

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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.59	01/21/2009		A	12,500	01/21/2013	01/21/2019	Common Stock	12,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HOY THOMAS L ARROW FINANCIAL CORPORATION 250 GLEN STREET GLENS FALLS, NY 12801	X		Chairman, President & CEO	

Signatures

Gerard R. Bilodeau, Attorney in Fact	01/23/2009
**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) Amount of securities beneficially owned.

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