BUTCH THOMAS W

Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. See Instruction

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** BUTCH THOMAS W			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
			WADDELL & REED FINANCIAL INC [WDR]	(Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	Director 10% Owner				
6300 LAMAR AVENUE			(Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2009	_X_ Officer (give title Other (speci below) below) SVP & Chief Marketing Officer				
	(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)					
							Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
OVERLAND I	PARK, KS (66202		_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Form: Direct Beneficial Code Beneficially (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (D) or Ownership Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Class A Personal 12/31/2009 F 9.258 D 230,268 Ι Common 30.54 Trust Class A 12/31/2009 71,000 A \$0 71,248 D A Common Class A $G_{(1)}^{(1)}$ V 71,000 D \$0 D 12/31/2009 248 Common Class A Personal \$0 Ι 12/31/2009 V 71,000 A $301,268 \stackrel{(2)}{=}$ Common Trust Class A Spouse's 11,063 (3) Ι Common Trust

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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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,	5	ate	Amou Under Securi	Title and nount of derlying curities str. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	4, and 5)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BUTCH THOMAS W 6300 LAMAR AVENUE OVERLAND PARK, KS 66202

SVP & Chief Marketing Officer

Signatures

Thomas W. 01/04/2010

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) Transfer of shares to trust for estate planning purposes.
- (2) These shares are held in trust for the benefit of Mr. Butch's spouse and children; Mr. Butch is the sole trustee of this trust.
- (3) These shares are held in trust for the benefit of Mr. Butch's spouse and children; Mrs. Butch is the sole trustee of this trust.

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(4) Units (which include Class A common stock and cash reserves) representing Mr. Butch's interest in the Company 401(k) Plan unitized stock fund as of December 31, 2009.

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