

COULTER CHAD
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
COULTER CHAD

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
DELPHI FINANCIAL GROUP
INC/DE [DFG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

____ Director
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Senior VP, Secy & Gen Counsel

C/O RELIANCE STANDARD LIFE
INSURANCE CO., 2001 MARKET
STREET, SUITE 1500

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

PHILADELPHIA, PA 19103

(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. 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| | | | | Code | V | Amount | |
| Class A Common Stock | 05/08/2009 | | M | 15,000 | A | \$ 13.1111 | 45,569 D |
| Class A Common Stock | 05/08/2009 | | S | 15,000 | D | \$ 22.1036 | 30,569 D |

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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Options to purchase Class A Common Stock | \$ 13.1111 ⁽²⁾ | 05/08/2009 | | M | 15,000 ⁽²⁾ | 01/11/2000 01/11/2010 | Class A Common Stock | 15,000 ⁽²⁾ |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

COULTER CHAD
C/O RELIANCE STANDARD LIFE INSURANCE
CO.
2001 MARKET STREET, SUITE 1500
PHILADELPHIA, PA 19103

Senior VP, Secy & Gen
Counsel

Signatures

Chad W. Coulter 05/12/2009

**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).

- The price indicated is the weighted average sales price for a series of open market sales transactions ranging in price from \$22.00 to
- (1) \$22.22 per share. The reporting person has provided to the issuer information regarding the number shares sold at each separate price, and such information will be provided to the SEC staff or any security holder of the issuer upon request.
 - (2) Amounts reflect adjustments pursuant to the terms of the option plan under which such options were granted to reflect the effects of all stock dividends and stock splits having occurred since the date of grant thereof.
 - (3) Not applicable.

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