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FORM 4

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obligations may continue.

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See Instruction 1(b).

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Ad | | | ame and Ti on Financia | | F | 6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | | | | |
|--|---|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------|---|---|---------------------|--|-----------|--|---|--|--|
| Semrod T. Joseph (Last) (First) (Middle) FleetBoston Financial Corporation 301 Carnegie Center | | | | ortin | entification ng Person, (voluntary) | | Mo | Statement for onth/Day/Year /01/03 | 1 | X Director | | | |
| Princeton, NJ 0 | | | | | | If Amendment, te of Original onth/Day/Year) | () <u>}</u> F | 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | - | Гab | le I Non- | Deriva | ative Sec | curities Acquired | l, Dispos | sed of, or Ber | neficially Owned | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8 | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 & 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Follow- | | 6. Owner- ship Form: Direct (D) or Indirect | 7. Nature of Indirec Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| | Year) | (Month/Day/ Year) | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | ing Reported Transactions(s) (Instr. 3 & 4) | | (I) (Instr. 4) | | | |
| Common Stock | 03/01/03 | | $\mathbf{F}^{(1)}$ | | 70,900 | D | \$24.6 | 7 | 129,300 | D | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | | 1,089 | I | By Spouse | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | | 1,359 | I | By Spouse as Custodian | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | | 220,102 | I | By Trust | | |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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FORM 4 (continued) Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

^{*} If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

| 1. Title of | 2. Conver- | 3. | 3A. | 4. | 5. | | Date Exerc | isable | 7. Tit | le and | 8. Price of | 9. Number of | 10. | 11. Nature |
|-------------|------------|---------|-----------|---------|---------|--------------------|------------------------------|---------|--------|----------|-------------|----------------|------------|-------------|
| Derivative | sion or | Trans- | Deemed | Trans- | Num | mberand Expiration | | | Amo | unt of | Derivative | Derivative | Owner- | of Indirect |
| Security | Exercise | action | Execution | action | of | Date | | | Unde | rlying | Security | Securities | ship | Beneficial |
| | Price of | Date | Date, | Code | Deri | vati | (Mealonth/Day/ | | Secui | rities | (Instr. 5) | Beneficially | Form | Ownership |
| (Instr. 3) | Derivative | | if any | | Secu | ıriti | X ear) | | (Instr | . 3 & 4) | | Owned | of Deriv- | (Instr. 4) |
| | Security | (Month/ | (Month/ | (Instr. | Acq | uire | d | | | | | Following | ative | |
| | | Day/ | Day/ | 8) | (A) (| or | | | | | | Reported | Security: | |
| | | Year) | Year) | | Disp | ose | d | | | | | Transaction(s) | Direct | |
| | | | | | of (I |)) | | | | | | (Instr. 4) | (D) | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | ` ′ | or | |
| | | | | | (Instr. | | | | | | | | Indirect | |
| | | | | | 3, 4 & | | | | | | | | (I) | |
| | | | | | 5) | | | | | | | | (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date | Exnira- | Title | Amount | 1 | | | |
| | | | | Couci | (11) | | | tion | | or | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | Date | | Number | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | Duit | | of | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | Shares | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

(1) Withholding of shares or delivery of previously owned shares to satisfy tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting of restricted stock.

By: /s/ Martha R. Francis
Martha R. Francis, Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, See Instruction 6 for procedure.

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Gary A. Spiess, Janice B. Liva, Paul A. Auerbach, Terence A. McGinnis, Robert J. King, Jr., Anne E. Turley, Courtney A. Orwig and Martha R. Francis, signing singly, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of FleetBoston Financial Corporation(the "Company"), Forms 3, 4, and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary o

^{**}Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5, complete and execute any amendment or

amendments thereto, and file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission

and any stock exchange or similar authority; and

(3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the

opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally requi

by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on

behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall cont

such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discret

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and pe

any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise

any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersign

might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby

ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or

substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the ri

and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact,

in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Compa

assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities

Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer

required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions

securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing

delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of

this 2oth day of August, 2002.

Signature: /s/ T. Joseph Semrod

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Print Name: T. Joseph Semrod