

Offereins Diane E
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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 *
Offereins Diane E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Discover Financial Services [DFS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
2500 LAKE COOK ROAD
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
10/01/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Executive Vice President

RIVERWOODS, IL 60015

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|---------|---|---------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | | | | |
| Common Stock | 10/01/2012 | | M | V | 67,159 | A | \$ 18.87 | 604,025 | D | |
| Common Stock | 10/01/2012 | | S | | 67,159 | D | \$ 39.67 | 536,866 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 867.64 | I | By ESOP |

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 | \$ 18.87 | 10/01/2012 | | M | 67,159 | (2) | 01/02/2014 | Common Stock | 67,159 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |
|--|--|
| Offereins Diane E 2500 LAKE COOK ROAD RIVERWOODS, IL 60015 | Director 10% Owner Officer Executive Vice President |

Signatures

/s/ Simon Halfin as Attorney-in-Fact for Diane E. Offereins 10/03/2012

**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) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$39.52 to \$39.77, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Discover Financial Services, any security holder of Discover Financial Services, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote.
 - (2) This option fully vested on January 2, 2007.
 - (3) In connection with Discover Financial Services' Spin-Off from Morgan Stanley, this option was granted by Discover Financial Services in replacement of an option to purchase 22,859 shares of common stock of Morgan Stanley at an exercise price of \$55.45.

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