

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS INC

Form 4

April 19, 2005

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BURKE PATRICK C

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

**FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS INC
[FISI]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

220 LIBERTY STREET

(Street)

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

04/01/2005

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)

Senior Vice President

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

WARSAW, NY 14569

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	04/01/2005		J ⁽¹⁾	11,632	A \$ 20.825 84,999 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Common Stock	01/05/2005 ⁽²⁾		I	159 ⁽²⁾	A \$ 21.79 997	I	Held in 401k plan.

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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
BURKE PATRICK C 220 LIBERTY STREET WARSAW, NY 14569	Senior Vice President

Signatures

Sonia M. Dumbleton for Patrick C.
Burke 04/19/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

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(1) Acquired as earn-out consideration pursuant to acquisition agreement.

(2) Acquired in 401(k) Plan. Includes 159 shares acquired in 401(k) Plan on 1/5/05, 1/10/05, 1/21/05, 2/4/05, 2/16/05, 2/18/05, 3/4/05, 3/18/05 and 3/23/05.

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