

DOWNEY FINANCIAL CORP

Form 3

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Â Chewning Hugh C

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3501 JAMBOREE ROAD,
SUITE 2000

(Street)

NEWPORT
BEACH,Â CAÂ 92660

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

12/13/2006

3. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
DOWNEY FINANCIAL CORP [DSL]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

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

(Check all applicable)

☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☒ Officer ☐ Other
(give title below) (specify below)
SVP, Director of Marketing

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned1. Title of Security
(Instr. 4)2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned
(Instr. 4)3. Ownership Form:
Direct (D)
or Indirect (I)
(Instr. 5)4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
(Instr. 5)

Common Stock

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D Â

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)1. Title of Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date
(Month/Day/Year)3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)
Title

4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security

5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:
Direct (D)6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
(Instr. 5)

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Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Amount or Number of Shares	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Chewning Hugh C 3501 JAMBOREE ROAD, SUITE 2000 NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660	Â	Â	Â SVP, Director of Marketing	Â

Signatures

Shannon Monahan, Attorney-in-Fact	12/19/2006
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**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
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Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

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