Phelan Kenneth Form 4 October 23, 2008

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Phelan Kenneth	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WACHOVIA CORP NEW [WB]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 301 S. COLLEGE STREET	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/21/2008	(Check all applicable) Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Risk Officer			
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
CHARLOTTE, NC 28288		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative Se	curiti	es Acqı	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitien(A) or Disp (Instr. 3, 4	osed o	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	10/21/2008		A	62,200 (1)	A	\$0	62,200	D	
Common Stock	10/21/2008		A	200,000	A	\$0	262,200 (3)	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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
ESOP (Right to Buy) (4)	\$ 6.09	10/21/2008	A	40,000	10/21/2009(5)	10/21/2018	Common Stock	40,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Phelan Kenneth

301 S. COLLEGE STREET CHARLOTTE, NC 28288 Chief Risk Officer

Signatures

Kenneth Phelan 10/23/2008

**Signature of Person

**Bate

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) Provisions exist with respect to these shares to allow for the withholding of shares to satisfy tax withholding obligations.
- (2) The Restricted Stock award will lapse upon satisfaction of certain performance goals and employment requirements.
- (3) Includes 262,200 shares of unvested restricted stock with respect to which provisons exist to allow for the withholding of shares to satisfy tax withholding obligations.
- (4) Provisions exist with respect to these shares to allow for the withholding of shares to satisfy tax withholding obligations and the withholding of shares in payment of the exercise price.
- (5) The option becomes exercisable in substantially equal installments on each of the three anniversaries of the date of grant, beginning October 21, 2009.

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