

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * <u>BECKSTEAD JACK LYNN JR</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>PO BOX 57220</u> (Street) <u>SALT LAKE CITY UT 84157-0220</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>SECURITY NATIONAL FINANCIAL CORP [SNFCA]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>V.P. Mortgage Operations</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>01/22/2005</u>	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Class A Common Stock	01/22/2005		J ⁽¹⁾		1,620	A	\$0	34,019 ⁽²⁾	D	

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$5.9	03/21/2003		A		15,000		03/21/2003	03/21/2013	Class A Common Stock	15,000	\$0	15,000 ⁽³⁾	D	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$3.23	12/10/2004		A		5,000		12/10/2004	12/10/2014	Class A Common Stock	5,000	\$0	5,000 ⁽⁴⁾	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. See Exhibit 99 Footnote 1
- 2. See Exhibit 99 Footnote 2
- 3. See Exhibit 99 Footnote 3
- 4. See Exhibit 99 Footnote 4

/s/J. Lynn Beckstead, Jr.

03/31/2005

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

* 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).

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J. Lynn Beckstead

- 1/ Received pursuant to a 5% stock dividend paid on January 22, 2005.

- 2/ Owned jointly by the reporting person and his wife, Karen Beckstead. Does not include 48,386 shares of Class A Common Stock owned indirectly by the reporting person, including (A) 35,744 shares of Class A Common Stock acquired pursuant to the Security National Financial Corporation Tax-Favored Retirement Savings Plan (401(k) Plan) and allocated to the reporting person's account (including 2,261 shares of Class A Common Stock the reporting person acquired under the 401(k) Plan between April 1, 2004 and December 31, 2004, and 1,702 shares of Class A Common Stock that were allocated to the reporting person's account on January 22, 2004 pursuant to a 5% stock dividend declared on December 10, 2004), of which the reporting person disclaims voting and investment powers with respect to such shares; (B) 4,155 shares of Class A Common Stock acquired under the Security National Financial Corporation Employee Stock Ownership Plan (ESOP), in reliance on old Rule 16a-8(g)(3) and 198 shares of Class A Common Stock that were allocated to the reporting person's account on January 22, 2005 pursuant to a 5% stock dividend declared on December 10, 2004), of which the reporting person disclaims voting and investment powers with respect to such shares; and (C) 8,487 shares of Class A Common Stock acquired under the Deferred Compensation Plan (including 5,983 shares of Class A Common Stock the reporting person acquired under the Deferred Compensation Plan between April 1, 2004 and December 31, 2004, and 404 shares of Class A Common Stock that were allocated to the reporting person's account on January 22, 2005 pursuant to a 5% stock dividend on December 10, 2004), of which the reporting person disclaims voting and investment powers with respect to such shares. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

- 3/ Grant to reporting person of options to purchase 15,000 shares of Class A Common Stock under the Security National Financial Corporation 1993 Stock Option Plan. The options became exercisable on March 21, 2003, but any shares of Class A Common Stock acquired from the exercise of the options shall be forfeited if the reporting person does not remain employed by the Company for the later of (i) five years following the date of grant, or March 21, 2008, or (ii) two years following the date these options have been exercised by the reporting person.

- 4/ Grant to reporting person of options to purchase 5,000 shares of Class A Common Stock under the Security National Financial Corporation 2003 Stock Option Plan. The options became exercisable on December 10, 2004.