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

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * JENSEN KEITH A			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP INC [AFG]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) ONE EAST	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of (Month/D 01/09/20	-	nsaction			Director X_ Officer (give below) Sr.		Owner er (specify
	(Street) 4			4. If Amendment, Date Original				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
				(Month/Day/Year)				Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
CINCINNA	ATI, OH 45202								More than One Re	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-De	rivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficiall	ly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Da	te 2A. Dee	med	3.	4. Securi	ties A	cquired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year) Execution	on Date, if	Transaction		•		Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any			(Instr. 3,	4 and	5)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/	Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
								Following Reported	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
						(A)		Transaction(s)		
				Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	01/09/2006			M	4,873	A	\$ 39.08	10,417	D	
500011							39.08			

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)	TransactionDerivative Securities Code Acquired (A) or		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and A
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Deferred Compensation	\$ 38.31	12/31/2005		A V	5,105.7499	, ,	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock
Deferred Compensation	\$ 39.08	01/09/2006		D		4,873 (2)	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
JENSEN KEITH A						
ONE EAST FOURTH STREET			Sr. Vice President			
CINCINNATI, OH 45202						

Signatures

Keith A. Jensen By: Karl J. Grafe, as

Attorney-in-Fact

**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).
- Represents amounts deferred by the Reporting Person in the Issuer's Deferred Compensation Plan. The account value increases or decreases based on the value of the Issuer's common stock and dividends paid. Upon termination of employment or earlier, if so elected, the Reporting Person's account balance may be distributed, at the option of the Issuer, either in cash or in shares of the Issuer's common stock.

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(2) Represents a distribution by the Reporting Person from the Issuer's Deferred Compensation Plan. Upon distribution, the Reporting Person's account balance may be distributed, at the option of the Issuer, either in cash or in shares of the Issuer's common stock.

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