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

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1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** Corley Kathryn McNamara			2. Issuer Symbol	Name and	Ticker or Trading	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer					
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	Discover Financial Services [DFS] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction		(Check all applicable)						
` '	, ,	, ,	(Month/D	ay/Year)	ansaction	Director X Officer (six	10% Owner ve title Other (specify				
2500 LAKE COOK ROAD			12/08/2	009		below)	below) ral Counsel&Secretary				
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check					
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)			Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person					
RIVERWOODS, IL 60015						Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	n-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned						
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction (Month/Day/Y			3. Transactio	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect	of			

(Instr. 3) Code (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 38,079 12/08/2009 A A \$0 296,351.39 D Stock (1) Common 2,200.76 Ι By ESOP

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5.	6. Date Exerc		7. Titl		8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transact	ionNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	int of	Derivative	Deriv
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						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Number		
									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Corley Kathryn McNamara 2500 LAKE COOK ROAD RIVERWOODS, IL 60015

EVP, General Counsel & Secretary

Signatures

/s/ Simon Halfin as Attorney-in-Fact for Kathryn McNamara Corley

12/10/2009

**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).
- (1) Restricted stock units are convertible into shares of common stock at a ratio of 1:1.

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