NEW CENTURY FINANCIAL CORP

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** GOTSCHALL EDWARD F			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NEW CENTURY FINANCIAL CORP [NEW]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) 18400 VON K 1000	(First)	(Middle) JITE	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/01/2006	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
	(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			
IRVINE CA 92612				Form filed by More than One Reporting			

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(State)

(Zip)

(City)

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	09/01/2006		M	24,554	A	\$ 7.33	1,098,100	D	
Common Stock	09/01/2006		M	10,500	A	\$ 8.5	1,108,600	D	
Common Stock	09/01/2006		M	64,946	A	\$ 6.65	1,173,546	D	
Common Stock	09/01/2006		S(1)	20,000	D	\$ 37.97	1,153,546	D	
Common Stock	09/05/2006		S(1)	80,000	D	\$ 38.36	1,073,546	D	

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Common Stock	1,127	I	By daughter
Common Stock	1,127	I	By son
Common Stock	1,127	I	By son (2)
Common Stock	100,000	I	By wife

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.33	09/01/2006		M		24,554	<u>(3)</u>	05/24/2007	Common Stock	24,554
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 8.5	09/01/2006		M		10,500	<u>(5)</u>	02/10/2009	Common Stock	10,500
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 6.65	09/01/2006		M		64,946	<u>(6)</u>	09/04/2011	Common Stock	64,946

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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Signatures

Jennifer Jewett 09/06/2006 (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).
- (1) This sale was effected pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on June 15, 2006.
- (2) Shares held by the reporting person's wife as custodian for the benefit of his son under the California Uniform Transfers to Minor Act.
- (3) This stock option grant vested as to one-third of the total number of options on each of the first three anniversaries of the grant date. The final one-third increment vested on the third anniversary of the grant date and the option is, therefore, currently exercisable.
- (4) This column is not applicable.
- This stock option grant vested 20% on February 10, 2000, the first anniversary of the grant date, with an additional 5% vesting on the last day of each succeeding calendar quarter thereafter. The final 5% increment vested on the fifth anniversary of the grant date and the option is, therefore, currently exercisable.
- This stock option grant vested 20% on September 4, 2002, the first anniversary of the grant date, with an additional 5% vesting on the last (6) day of each succeeding calendar quarter thereafter. The final 5% increment vested on the fifth anniversary of the grant date and the option is, therefore, currently exercisable.

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