BANNER CORP Form 4 February 15, 2006

# FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading JONES D MICHAEL Issuer Symbol BANNER CORP [BANR] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) \_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify X\_ Officer (give title 10 SOUTH FIRST AVENUE 02/14/2006 below) President and CEO (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 Form filed by More than One Reporting WALLA WALLA, WA 99362 Person (Ctata)

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	or Beneficiall	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)	(Instr. 3,	spose 4 and (A) or	d of (D) 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)
Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share	02/14/2006		Code V	3,113	(D)	Price \$ 32.115 (1)	48,402 (2)	D	
Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share	02/14/2006		M	5,154	A	\$ 19.4	53,556 <u>(2)</u>	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	2.	3. Transaction Date		4.	5. Number		6. Date Exercisable and		7. Title and Amount of	
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction Derivative			Expiration Date		Underlying Securities	
Security	or Exercise		any	Code Secur		rities	(Month/Day/Y	ear)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 8) Acquired					
	Derivative				(A) or					
	Security			Disposed of						
				(D)						
				(Instr. 3, 4,						
				and 5)						
							Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of
				Code V	(A)	(D)				Shares
Option to buy Common Stock	\$ 19.4	02/14/2006		M		5,154	02/11/2006	02/11/2012	Common Stock	5,154

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
JONES D MICHAEL 10 SOUTH FIRST AVENUE WALLA WALLA, WA 99362	X		President and CEO					

# **Signatures**

/s/D. Michael

Jones 02/15/2006

\*\*Signature of Pate 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) Market price on February 14, 2006.
- (2) Includes direct ownership of 237 shares through Deferred Compensation Plan and 1,559 shares through Employee Stock Ownership Plan. Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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