#### THEOLOGIDES STERGIOS

Form 4

February 07, 2005

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* THEOLOGIDES STERGIOS

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

NEW CENTURY FINANCIAL CORP [NEW]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

02/04/2005

(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director X\_ Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

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18400 VON KARMAN, SUITE 1000

(First)

(State)

(Middle)

(Zip)

(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 Form filed by More than One Reporting

IRVINE,, CA 92612

(City)

(City)	(State)	Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securi			5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(A)		Reported		
					or		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount		Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	02/04/2005		M	1,476	A	\$ 19.83	22,335	D	
Common Stock	02/04/2005		F	329	D	\$ 52.59	22,006	D	

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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)	5. Number out 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 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)	\$ 19.83	02/04/2005		M	1,476	<u>(1)</u>	03/24/2013	Common Stock	1,476

# **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Director 10% Owner Other

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## **Signatures**

Jennifer Jewett

(Attorney-in-fact) 02/07/2005 Date

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

# **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).
- This stock option grant vested 20% on March 24, 2004, 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 will vest on the fifth anniversary of the grant date. The portion (1) of this stock option grant exercised by the reporting person on February 4, 2005 vested as follows: 726 shares on September 30, 2004 and 750 shares on December 31, 2004.
- (2) This column is not applicable.

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