

MARKOWITZ STEPHEN
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 MARKOWITZ STEPHEN

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 OptimumBank Holdings, Inc.
 [OPHC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/29/2005

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 ____ Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

SEE REMARKS

C/O OPTIMUMBANK, 2477 E COMMERCIAL BOULEVARD

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33308

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Underlying Security
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(Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
			Code	V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
NON-EMPLOYEE DIRECTOR STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$ 5					12/29/2005 ⁽¹⁾	02/26/2011	COMMON STOCK
NON-EMPLOYEE DIRECTOR STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$ 6.75					12/29/2005 ⁽²⁾	10/30/2012	COMMON STOCK
NON-EMPLOYEE DIRECTOR STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$ 10					12/29/2005 ⁽²⁾	06/29/2014	COMMON STOCK

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MARKOWITZ STEPHEN C/O OPTIMUMBANK 2477 E COMMERCIAL BOULEVARD FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33308				SEE REMARKS

Signatures

/s/ Albert J. Finch, Attorney-in-Fact for Stephen Markowitz 01/03/2006

**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) Option fully vested and exercisable in full as of the grant date
- (2) On December 29, 2005, the vesting of the option was accelerated to make it exercisable in full as of that date

Remarks:

Mr. Markowitz resigned as a director of the company on March 14, 2005

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