

AMERICAN EXPRESS CO  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**KELLY ALFRED F JR**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**AMERICAN EXPRESS TOWER, 3  
WFC, 200 VESEY STREET**

(Street)

**NEW YORK, NY 10285**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

**AMERICAN EXPRESS CO [AXP]**

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

**11/07/2005**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**Member, Global Leadership Team**

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

**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 Following 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		
Common Stock	11/07/2005		M	A	\$ 7,443 41.124	D	
Common Stock	11/07/2005		M	A	\$ 16,937 41.124	D	
Common Stock	11/07/2005		M	A	\$ 28,634 41.124	D	
Common Stock	11/07/2005		S	D	\$ 214 49.83	D	
Common Stock	11/07/2005		S	D	\$ 14,800 49.79	D	

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Common Stock	11/07/2005	S	1,400	D	\$ 49.78	307,577	D	
Common Stock	11/07/2005	S	1,300	D	\$ 49.77	306,277	D	
Common Stock	11/07/2005	S	35,200	D	\$ 49.74	271,077	D	
Common Stock	11/07/2005	S	100	D	\$ 49.76	270,977 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
Common Stock						4,535.66 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	401(k) Trust

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 41.124	11/07/2005		M	7,443	03/19/2004 02/25/2006		Common Stock	7,443
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 41.124	11/07/2005		M	16,937	03/19/2004 02/23/2007		Common Stock	16,937
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 41.124	11/07/2005		M	28,634	03/19/2004 02/22/2008		Common Stock	28,634

