

MORGAN STANLEY

Form 4

December 27, 2004

FORM 4
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MERIN MITCHELL M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**MORGAN STANLEY, 1585
BROADWAY**

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10036

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
MORGAN STANLEY [MWD]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/27/2004

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 ____X____ Other (specify
below) below)

Business Unit Head

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
X 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/27/2004		M	V Amount (A) or (D) Price 14,914 A \$ 21.53	344,432	D	
Common Stock	12/27/2004		M	V Amount (A) or (D) Price 168,220 A \$ 29.56	512,652	D	
Common Stock	12/27/2004		F	V Amount (A) or (D) Price 30,279 D \$ 55.29	482,373	D	
Common Stock					32,226	I	By 401(k) Plan/ESOP Trust
Common Stock					13,800	I	Merin Family

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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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Restoration Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 21.53	12/27/2004		M		14,914		06/30/1997	01/19/2005	Common Stock	14,914
Restoration Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 29.56	12/27/2004		M		168,220		12/31/1997	01/19/2005	Common Stock	168,220

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
MERIN MITCHELL M MORGAN STANLEY 1585 BROADWAY NEW YORK, NY 10036	Business Unit Head

Signatures

Charlene R. Herzer,
Attorney-In-Fact 12/27/2004

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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