FIDELITY NATIONAL FINANCIAL INC /DE/ Form 8-K May 17, 2005

# United States SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

#### FORM 8-K

#### **Current Report**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (date of earliest event reported): May 17, 2005

Fidelity National Financial, Inc.

(Exact name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

1-9396 (Commission File Number)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization) 86-0498599 (IRS Employer Identification Number)

601 Riverside Avenue Jacksonville, Florida 32204

(Addresses of Principal Executive Offices)

(904) 854-8100 (Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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#### **Item 8.01 Other Events**

On May 17, 2005, Fidelity National Financial, Inc. (FNF) announced in a press release that its Board of Directors has approved a strategic restructuring that would result in the public distribution of a minority interest in FNF s title insurance operations.

Under the terms of the strategic restructuring plan, FNF would form a title insurance holding company ( THC ) that would serve as the parent company for FNF s title insurance operations. FNF would then make a taxable distribution of 17.5% of the shares of the common stock of THC to FNF stockholders, while retaining ownership of the remaining 82.5% of THC s common stock. As a result, FNF stockholders will receive .175 shares of THC common stock for each share of FNF common stock. THC would therefore become a majority-owned, publicly traded subsidiary of FNF. Completion of the taxable distribution to FNF stockholders is contingent upon a variety of conditions, including regulatory approval. This distribution of THC common stock to FNF stockholders is expected to occur in the third quarter of 2005. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

#### (c) Exhibits

Exhibit	Description
99.1	Fidelity National Financial, Inc. Press Release Dated May 17, 2005.

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## **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

## Fidelity National Financial, Inc.

Date: May 17, 2005 By: /s/ Alan L. Stinson

Name: Alan L. Stinson

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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