# **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)

October 3, 2006

# **Cadence Financial Corporation**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Mississippi (State or Other Jurisdiction 1-5773 (Commission File Number) 64-0684755 (I.R.S. Employer

of Incorporation)

**301 East Main Street** 

 $Identification\ No.)$ 

Starkville, MS 39759

(Address of Principal Executive Offices and Zip Code)

(662) 343-1341

(Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

(b) As of October 3, 2006, Mr. Bobby L. Harper retired as President, Columbus Region of Cadence Bank, N.A. In accordance with Cadence Financial Corporation, Inc. s (the Company ) corporate policy for inside directors, Mr. Harper also retired as a director of the Company.

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#### **SIGNATURES**

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 hereunto duly authorized.

CADENCE FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Registrant)

Dated: October 4, 2006 By: /s/ Richard T. Haston

Name: Richard T. Haston

Title: Executive Vice President; Chief Financial Officer; Treasurer