AMERICAN EXPRESS CO

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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may continue. See Instruction

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LEVIN RICHARD C			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AMERICAN EXPRESS CO [AXP]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
		0.01.0				(Check all applicable)					
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)		Earliest Tr	ansaction						
				(Month/Day/Year)				_X_ Director		Owner	
YALE UNIVERSITY, 105 WALL STREET			02/21/2007					Officer (give below)	below)	er (specify	
(Street) 4. I			4. If Ame	4. If Amendment, Date Original				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Mor	nth/Day/Year)			Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by			
NEW HAVEN, CT 06511								Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Dee Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution			emed 3. 4. Securities Acquired on Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature 6. Securities Form: Direct Indirect					
(Instr. 3) any		Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial			
		(Month/	Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership	
								Following Reported	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
						(A)		Transaction(s)			
				Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	02/21/2007			P	2,000	A	\$ 58.48	2,000	D		

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)

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Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	int of	Derivative	Deriv
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						Date	Expiration		or		
							Date		Number		
							Date		of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
LEVIN RICHARD C YALE UNIVERSITY 105 WALL STREET NEW HAVEN, CT 06511	X						

Signatures

Stephen P. Norman,
attorney-in-fact 02/21/2007

**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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