

FULTON FINANCIAL CORP
Form 8-K
January 19, 2006

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: January 19, 2006

(Date of earliest event reported): January 19, 2006

Commission File No. 0-10587

Fulton Financial Corporation

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

Pennsylvania	<u>23-2195389</u>
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(IRS Employer Identification Number)
One Penn Square	<u>17602</u>

Lancaster, Pennsylvania	
(Address of principal executive offices)	(Zip Code)
Registrant's telephone number, including area code: <u>717-291-2411</u>	

Former name or former address, if changed since last Report: N/A

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EXHIBIT 99.1 - Press Release dated January 19, 2006.

Item 8.01 - Other Events.

On January 19, 2006, Fulton Financial Corporation announced receipt of approval from the Federal Reserve Board of its pending acquisition of Columbia Bancorp. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

Item 9.01 - Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit No.

Description

99.1

Press Release dated January 17, 2006.

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.

FULTON FINANCIAL CORPORATION

By: /s/ Charles J. Nugent

Date: January 19, 2006

Charles J. Nugent

Senior Executive Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer