NEW CENTURY FINANCIAL CORP Form 8-K January 20, 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 (Date of Earliest Event Reported):

January 13, 2006

New Century Financial Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

| Maryland | 001-32314 | 56-2451736 | |
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| (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) | (Commission File Number) | (I.R.S. Employer Identification No. | |
| 18400 Von Karman Avenue, Suite 1000, Irvine, California | | 92612 | |
| (Address of principal executive offices) | | (Zip Code) | |
| Registrant s telephone number, including area code: | | (949) 440-7030 | |
| | Not Applicable | | |
| Former name of | or former address, if changed since last report | | |

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:

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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 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws; Change in Fiscal Year.

On January 20, 2006, the registrant filed with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of the State of Maryland (the "Department") a Certificate of Correction, dated as of January 13, 2006 (the "Certificate of Correction"), to the registrant's Articles of Amendment and Restatement that were filed with the Department on September 30, 2004 (the "Articles of Amendment and Restatement"). The Certificate of Correction was filed to correct an error in Section 5.2 of Article V of the Articles of Amendment and Restatement, which omitted Section 5.2(i) prohibiting "disqualified organizations" (as such term is defined in Section 860E(e)(5) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended) from being a record holder of any shares of the registrant's capital stock. A copy of the Certificate of Correction, which was effective on the filing date of January 20, 2006, is attached as Exhibit 3.1 to this Current Report and is incorporated herein by reference.

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3.1 Certificate of Correction to the Articles of Amendment and Restatement of New Century Financial Corporation, dated as of January 13, 2006 and filed with the State Department of Assessments and Taxation of the State of Maryland on January 20, 2006.

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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.

New Century Financial Corporation

January 20, 2006 By: /s/ Robert K. Cole

Name: Robert K. Cole

Title: Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

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