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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

ALLMERICA FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 1-13754 04-3263626 (State or other jurisdic- (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer tion of incorporation) Identification No.)

440 Lincoln Street, Worcester, Massachusetts 01653
-----(Address of principal executive offices)
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (508) 855-1000

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

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Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On May 17, 2005, the Board of Directors of Allmerica Financial Corporation re-elected Michael P. Angelini as its non-executive Chairman of the Board. Consistent with the Board's past practice of paying an additional retainer to the non-executive Chairman of the Board, Mr. Angelini will receive a chairman's retainer of \$60,000, subject to the existing compensation deferral and stock conversion rights of directors.

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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.

Allmerica Financial Corporation
----(Registrant)

Date: May 18, 2005 By: /s/ Edward J. Parry III

Edward J. Parry III Chief Financial Officer, Executive Vice President,

Principal Accounting Officer and Director