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Report of the Editor of *The Journal of Finance* for the Year 2006

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THIS IS A YEAR OF TRANSITION. While the Editor's report is for 2006, I have been at the helm only since July 2006. Given that none of the papers that I have handled so far are in print, all of the success of the *Journal* this year is due to the outgoing Editor, Rob Stambaugh.

I am happy to report that 2006 was another good year for *The Journal of Finance*. We received 1,239 submissions, of which 1,037 were new manuscripts, which is down slightly from last year. In 2006 the *Journal* published 86 articles, written by authors whose primary affiliations include 95 different institutions. Table I details the number and timing of submissions received throughout the year and Table II details the editorial decisions made, by round, during 2006. The primary affiliations are summarized in Table III, which reports the number of authors per institution (where an article with *n* authors is counted as 1/n articles for each author's institution). The institutions with the most *JF* authors last year were the University of Chicago (5) and New York University (3-3/4).

The *Journal's* visibility and impact remain extremely high. The articles published in the *Journal* in 2003 and 2004 were cited 8,235 times during 2005, a

Number of Submissions			
	New Submissions	Resubmissions	Total
January	68	18	86
February	71	18	89
March	102	22	124
April	59	14	73
May	83	27	110
June	68	19	87
July	118	15	133
August	84	15	99
September	97	8	105
October	87	12	99
November	93	13	106
December	107	19	126
Total	1,037	202	1,239

Table I Number of Submissions

Editorial Decisions				
	Rejected	Returned for Revision	Accepted	
Round 1	942	115	0	
Round 2	17	56	1	
Round 3	4	31	18	
Round 4	0	9	28	
Round 5	0	1	7	
Total	963	212	54	

Table IIEditorial Decisions

Table III
Author Affiliations of Published Articles

Affiliation	Number of Authors
Barclays Global Investors	1/2
Bentley College	1/2
Boston College	2-5/6
Brigham Young University	1-1/3
Brown University	1/3
California State University, Northridge	1/2
Carnegie Mellon University	2/4
Case Western Reserve University	1
Citigroup Global Markets Ltd.	1/2
City University of New York	1/3
Clemson University	1/3
Columbia University	2
Cornell University	3/4
Creighton University	1/2
Dartmouth College	5/6
Drexel University	1/2
Duke University	1-1/2
Emory University	1-2/3
ESSEC Business School	1/3
Federal Reserve Bank of Boston	1
Federal Reserve Bank of New York	1/2
Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis	1/2
Fordham University	1/2
Forensic Economics, Inc.	1/3
Georgetown University	2/3
Hankuk University of Foreign Studies	1/3
Harvard University	3-1/2
HEC	1/2
HEC Montreal	1/4
Hong Kong University of Science and Technology	2/3
Imperial College	1/4
INSEAD	2/3

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Table III—Con	ntinued
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Affiliation	Number of Authors
International Monetary Fund	1/2
Korea University	1/3
Lehman Brothers, London	1/2
London Business School	2/3
London School of Economics	1/2
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	2-3/4
McGill University	1/2
Michigan State University	1
New York University	3-3/4
Northwestern University	1-1/2
Norwegian School of Management	1
Ohio State University	1-1/3
Princeton University	1
Purdue University	1/3
Rice University	1-7/12
Securities and Exchange Commission	1/2
Seoul National University	1/3
Stanford University	1/2
Stockholm School of Economics	1
Sung Kyun Kwan University	1/3
Texas A&M University	1/2
Tilburg University	1/3
Tulane University	2/3
Universitat Pompeu Fabra	1/2
University of Amsterdam	1/3
University of Arizona	1/2
University of British Columbia	1
University of California at Berkeley	5/6
University of California at Davis	1/3
University of California at San Diego	1/2
University of California, Irvine	1/2
University of California, Los Angeles	1
University of Chicago	5
University of Georgia	1/2
University of Hong Kong	1/3
University of Illinois at Chicago	2/3
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	1
University of Iowa	1
University of Kansas	1/2
University of Maryland	2-1/12
University of Melbourne	1/3
University of Michigan	1
University of New South Wales	1
University of North Carolina	1/2
University of Notre Dame	2-1/2
University of Oregon	1
University of Pennsylvania	2-1/4
University of Pittsburgh	5/6

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Affiliation	Number of Authors
University of Rochester	1/3
University of Sheffield	1/3
University of Southern California	1-3/4
University of Texas at Arlington	1/3
University of Texas at Austin	1-5/6
University of Texas at Dallas	5/6
University of Virginia	11/12
University of Warwick	1/3
University of Washington	2/3
University of Western Ontario	1
University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee	1/2
Vanderbilt University	2/3
Washington University in St. Louis	2-1/3
Wayne State University	1/3
Yale University	2/3

Table III—Continued

Processing Time Number **Cumulative Percentage** Less than 20 days 260 21.1%20-29 days 7227.0%30-39 days 137 38.1%40-49 days 16451.5%50-59 days 157 64.2%60-69 days 109 73.1%70-79 days 77 79.3% 80-89 days 5583.8%90–99 days 65 89.1% 100 or more days 134100.0%

Table IV

total that ranks first among business and finance journals and fourth among all economics journals (behind only the American Economic Review, Econometrica, and the Journal of Political Economy). Our impact factor (cites to articles published in 2003 and 2004 in the year of 2005 divided by the total number of articles published in those two years) is 2.385, which again ranks first among business and finance journals and eighth among economics journals.

Turnaround time remains good, little changed from last year, with over 64% of the editorial decisions taking less than 60 days and about 11% taking over 100 days. Table IV provides details on turnaround for the editorial decisions made during 2006. The backlog of unpublished accepted articles continues to run slightly longer than a year.

The average length of the review process, coupled with the publication backlog, produces a significant period during which the editor who handled an article is not necessarily the one whose name appears on the masthead when that article is published. Of the articles published in 2006, about 13% were handled by Rick Green and 87% by Rob Stambaugh. For 2007, only two or three papers will be those Rick handled, the rest will be Rob's. Given that the backlog and acceptance rates seem to be holding fairly steady, I would anticipate a similar pattern in the current editorial transition.

As has been said before, the *Journal* reflects the collaborative efforts of a great many people. My Co-editor, John Graham, and the Associate Editors do a wonderful job in filling the role I have asked of them. Last year the *Journal* relied on over 653 referees who, with few exceptions, made time in busy schedules to provide the type of diligent and prompt feedback that continues to play a vital role in the *Journal's* success. (Appendix A lists the individuals who refereed for the *Journal of Finance* during the year.) Clearly, you, the members of the Association, value the *Journal* highly, and it has been a great honor and privilege for me to have been entrusted with its care.

We continue to work with BEPress in making refinements to the system, and I believe it has proven to serve our needs rather well. BEPress has recently upgraded their servers to increase the ease of use of the system.

One of the most important reasons for a smooth transition was the retention of our editorial assistant, Wendy Washburn, who has been a huge asset to the *Journal*. Not only is Wendy vital in keeping the many day-to-day activities of the editorial office running smoothly, as many of you have probably experienced as authors and reviewers, but she very ably supervises the copyediting and the pre-publication interface with Blackwell.

Each year the *Journal* awards a number of prizes for articles that it has published. The eligible papers for the 2006 prizes were all those published in the six issues of the Journal from December 2005 through October 2006. The Smith-Breeden prizes, which recognize articles in all areas except corporate finance, consist of one first prize of \$10,000 and two distinguished-paper prizes of \$5,000 each. The Brattle awards, which recognize articles in corporate finance, consist of one first prize of \$10,000 and two distinguished paper prizes of \$5,000. Note that in the past, there was only one distinguished paper prize for the Brattle award. This year Brattle generously increased the number to two distinguished paper awards. The Associate Editors nominated the papers and then voted for the prize winners, and Editorial Assistant Wendy Washburn handled the balloting. This year there were eight finalists for the Smith Breeden prizes and eight finalists for the Brattle prizes. Appendices B and C list the winning papers as well as the finalists. On behalf of the *Journal*, I have congratulated all of the authors of the nominated papers. The prizes were announced at the AFA Business Meeting in Chicago.

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Appendix A: Reviewers

The Journal of Finance would like to thank the following individuals, who served as referees over the past year. Without their help, the *Journal* could not fulfill its mission.

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Burkart, Mike Bushee, Brian Bushman, Robert Busse, Jeffrey Butler, Alexander Campa, Jose Manuel Campbell, John Campello, Murillo Cao, Henry Carey, Mark Carlson, Murray Carpenter, Jennifer Carrieri, Francesca Cetorelli, Nicola Chakraborty, Archishman Chakravarty, Sugato Chan, Kalok Chan, Louis Chaplinsky, Susan Chapman, David Chemmanur, Thomas Chen, Joseph Chen, Nai-fu Chen, Qi Cherkes, Martin Chernov, Mikhail Choi, James Chordia, Tarun Chowdhry, Bhagwan Christoffersen, Peter Christoffersen, Susan Claessens, Stijn Clement, Michael Cocco, Joao Cochrane, John Cohen, Randolph Cole, Shawn Coles, Jeffrey Collin-Dufresne, Pierre Conrad, Jennifer Constantinides, George Cooper, Ilan Cooper, Michael Core, John Cornelli, Francesca Corwin, Shane Coughenour, Jay Coval, Joshua Cremers, K.J. Martijn Croitoru, Benjamin Cumming, Douglas Cummins, J. David Cuñat, Vicente Daines. Robert Dana. Rose-Anne Daniel, Kent Das, Sanjiv Dasgupta, Sudipto David, Alexander de Jong, Frank Del Negro, Marco Deli, Daniel Dell'Ariccia, Giovanni Demirguc-Kunt, Asli Denis, David Denis, Diane **Dennis**, Patrick Derrien, Francois Desai, Hemang Desai, Mihir Detemple, Jerome Detragiache, Enrica Diether, Karl Dinc, Serdar Dittmar, Amy Dittmar, Robert F. Djankov, Simeon Doidge, Craig Downing, Christopher Driessen, Joost Drucker, Steven Duarte, Jefferson Duffee, Gregory Duffie, Darrell Dyck, Alexander

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Gomes, Francisco Gompers, Paul Gormley, Todd Goyal, Amit Gray, Stephen Green, T. Clifton Greenwood, Robin Griffin, John Grinstein, Yaniv Gromb, Denis Gruber, Martin Grullon, Gustavo Guay, Wayne Guedj, Ilan Hackbarth, Dirk Hadlock, Charles Hankins, Kristine Hao. Grace Harford, Jarrad Harris, Jeffrey Hartzell, Jay Haruvy, Ernan Hauswald, Robert Heaton, John Hege, Ulrich Hellmann, Thomas Helwege, Jean Hendershott, Terrence Hennessy, Christopher Hens, Thorsten Hertzel, Michael Heston, Steve Hillegeist, Stephen Hirshleifer, David Hochberg, Yael Hollifield, Burton Hong, Harrison Hortacsu, Ali Hotchkiss, Edith Hou, Kewei Houston, Joel Hovakimian, Armen Hribar, Paul Hsieh, David Huang, Jay Huang, Ming

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Appendix B: Smith Breeden Prizes for 2006

First Prize Paper

The Price Impact and Survival of Irrational Traders Leonid Kogan, Stephen A. Ross, Jiang Wang, and Mark M. Westerfield February 2006

Distinguished Papers

The Limits of Investor Behavior Mark Loewenstein and Gregory A. Willard February 2006

Offering versus Choice in 401(k) Plans: Equity Exposure and Number of Funds Gur Huberman and Wei Jiang April 2006

Finalists (listed chronologically)

Governance Mechanisms and Equity Prices Martijn Cremers and Vinay Nair December 2005

Asset Float and Speculative Bubbles Harrison Hong, Jose Scheinkman, and Wei Xiong June 2006

Uncovering the Risk-Return Relation in the Stock Market Hui Guo and Robert Whitelaw June 2006

Market Reactions to Tangible and Intangible Information Kent Daniel and Sheridan Titman August 2006

Options and the Bubble Robert Battalio and Paul Schultz October 2006

Appendix C: Brattle Group Awards for 2006

First Prize Paper

Investment and Financing Constraints: Evidence from the Funding of Corporate Pension Plans Joshua D. Rauh February 2006

Distinguished Papers

Do Firms Rebalance Their Capital Structures? Mark T. Leary and Michael R. Roberts December 2005

How Persistent Is the Impact of Market Timing on Capital Structure? Aydoğan Alti August 2006

Finalists (listed chronologically)

CEO Overconfidence and Corporate Investment Ulrike Malmendier and Geoffrey Tate December 2005

Corporate Investment and Asset Price Dynamics: Implications for SEO Event Studies and Long-Run Performance Murray Carlson, Adlai Fisher, and Ron Giammarino June 2006

Credit Ratings and Capital Structure Darren Kisgen June 2006

Can Managers Successfully Time the Maturity Structure of Their Debt Issues Alexander W. Butler, Gustavo Grullon, and James P. Weston August 2006

Informed Lending and Security Design Roman Inderst and Holger M. Mueller October 2006