## 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): April 26, 2005

SECURITY NATIONAL FINANCIAL CORPORATION (Exact name of registrant as specified in this Charter)

Utah 0-9341 87-0345941

(State or other jurisdiction jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

5300 South 360 West, Salt Lake City, Utah

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (801) 264-1060

Does Not Apply (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

### ITEM 4.01 Changes in Registrant's Certifying Accountant.

On April 26, 2005, Security National Financial Corporation (the "Company") ceased its independent auditor relationship with Tanner LC ("Tanner"). The cessation of the Company's relationship with Tanner was due to the five-year partner rotation requirement mandated by the Sarbanes-Oxley Act and the determination by Tanner that in the future it would be unable to maintain the necessary industry expertise to continue as independent auditors for the Company. (A letter from Tanner is attached to this filing as an exhibit.)

During the fiscal years ended December 31, 2004 and 2003 and the subsequent interim period preceding the cessation of the relationship with Tanner, there were no disagreements (as defined in Item 304(a)(1)(iv) of Regulation S-K) with Tanner on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosure or auditing scope or procedures or any reportable events (as described in Item 304(a)(1)(v) of Regulation S-K), which disagreement, if not resolved to the satisfaction of the former accountant, would have caused it to make reference to the subject matter of the disagreement in connection with its report. In addition, the reports by Tanner on the balance sheet as of December 31, 2004, and the related statements of operations, stockholders' equity, and cash flows for each of the two years in the period ended December 31, 2004, did not contain an adverse opinion or a disclaimer of opinion and were not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

Pursuant to Item 304 of Regulation S-K, the Company submitted a copy of this Form 8-K to Tanner prior to filing with the Commission.

ITEM 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

#### (c) Exhibits

- 16.1 Letter from Tanner LC dated April 26, 2005 recognizing the cessation of the independent auditor relationship.
- 16.2 Letter from Tanner LC dated April 29, 2005 agreeing with the statements in the Form 8-K.

#### **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.

SECURITY NATIONAL FINANCIAL CORPORATION (Registrant)

Date: May 2, 2005 By: /s/ Scott M. Quist

Scott M. Quist, President and Chief Operating Officer

Exhibit 16.1

[Hansen, Barnett & Maxwell, P.C. Letterhead]

May 24, 2005

Securities and Exchange Commission 450 Fifth Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20549

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have read Security National Financial Corporation's Form 8-K dated May 20, 2005 regarding "Changes in Registrant's Certifying Accountant" and, as pertaining to our firm, we agree with the statements contained therein.

Very truly yours,

HANSEN, BARNETT & MAXWELL, P.C. /s/ Hansen, Barnett & Maxwell, P.C.