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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. )\*

Spirit Finance Corporation

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share

(Title of Class of Securities)

848568309

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(CUSIP Number)

February 27, 2007

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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### Item 1. Issuer

(a) Name of Issuer:

Spirit Finance Corporation (the "Company")

(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

14631 N. Scottsdale Road, Suite 200, Scottsdale, Arizona 85254

Item 2. Identity And Background

Title Of Class Of Securities And CUSIP Number (Item 2(d) and (e))

This statement relates to shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Shares"), of the Company. The CUSIP number of the shares is 848568309.

This statement is filed by the entities and persons listed below, all of whom together are referred to herein as the "Reporting Persons."

## The Farallon Funds

- (i) Farallon Capital Partners, L.P., a California limited partnership ("FCP"), with respect to the Shares held by it;
- (ii) Farallon Capital Institutional Partners, L.P., a California limited partnership ("FCIP"), with respect to the Shares held by it;
- (iii) Farallon Capital Institutional Partners II, L.P., a
   California limited partnership ("FCIP II"), with
   respect to the Shares held by it;
- (iv) Farallon Capital Institutional Partners III, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("FCIP III"), with respect to the Shares held by it; and
- (v) Tinicum Partners, L.P., a New York limited partnership ("Tinicum"), with respect to the Shares held by it.

FCP, FCIP, FCIP II, FCIP III and Tinicum are together referred to herein as the "Farallon Funds."

The Farallon General Partner

(vi) Farallon Partners, L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company which is the general partner of each of the Farallon Funds (the "Farallon General Partner"), with respect to the Shares held by each of the Farallon Funds

The Farallon Managing Members

(vii) The following persons who are managing members of the
 Farallon General Partner, with respect to the Shares
 held by the Farallon Funds: Chun R. Ding ("Ding"),
 William F. Duhamel ("Duhamel"), Richard B. Fried
 ("Fried"), Monica R. Landry ("Landry"), Douglas M.
 MacMahon ("MacMahon"), William F. Mellin ("Mellin"),
 Stephen L. Millham ("Millham"), Jason E. Moment
 ("Moment"), Rajiv A. Patel ("Patel"), Derek C. Schrier
 ("Schrier"), Thomas F. Steyer ("Steyer") and Mark C.
 Wehrly ("Wehrly").

Ding, Duhamel, Fried, Landry, MacMahon, Mellin, Millham, Moment, Patel, Schrier, Steyer and Wehrly are together referred to herein as the "Farallon Individual Reporting Persons."

The citizenship of each of the Farallon Funds and the Farallon General Partner is set forth above. Each of the Farallon Individual Reporting Persons is a citizen of the United States. The address of the principal business office of each of the Reporting Persons is c/o Farallon Capital Management, L.L.C., One Maritime Plaza, Suite 2100, San Francisco, California 94111.

Item 3. If This Statement Is Filed Pursuant To Sections 240.13d-1(b) or

240.13d-2(b) or (c), Check Whether The Person Filing Is An Entity

Specified In (a) - (j):

Not Applicable.

If This Statement Is Filed Pursuant To Section 240.13d-1(c), Check This ------Box. [X]

Item 4. Ownership

The information required by Items 4(a) - (c) and set forth in Rows 5 through 11 of the cover page for each Reporting Person hereto is incorporated herein by reference for each such Reporting Person.

The Shares reported hereby for the Farallon Funds are owned directly by the Farallon Funds. The Farallon General Partner, as general partner to the Farallon Funds, may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of all such Shares owned by the Farallon Funds. The Farallon Individual Reporting Persons, as managing members of the Farallon General Partner with the power to exercise investment discretion, may each be deemed to be the beneficial owner of all such Shares owned by the Farallon Funds. Each of the Farallon General Partner and the Farallon Individual Reporting Persons hereby disclaims any beneficial ownership of any such Shares.

Item 5. Ownership Of Five Percent Or Less Of A Class

Not Applicable.

Item 6. Ownership Of More Than Five Percent On Behalf Of Another Person

Not Applicable.

Item 7. Identification And Classification Of The Subsidiary Which Acquired The
Security Being Reported On By The Parent Holding Company

Not Applicable.

Item 8. Identification And Classification Of Members Of The Group

The Reporting Persons are filing this Schedule 13G pursuant to Section 240.13d-1(c). Consistent with Item 2 of the cover page for each Reporting Person above, the Reporting Persons neither disclaim nor affirm the existence of a group among them.

Item 9. Notice Of Dissolution Of Group

Not Applicable.

Item 10. Certification

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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#### SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of our knowledge and belief, the undersigned certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: March 8, 2007

/s/ Mark C. Wehrly

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FARALLON PARTNERS, L.L.C.,
On its own behalf and as the General Partner
of FARALLON CAPITAL PARTNERS, L.P.,
FARALLON CAPITAL INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERS, L.P.,
FARALLON CAPITAL INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERS II, L.P.,
FARALLON CAPITAL INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERS III, L.P.,
and TINICUM PARTNERS, L.P.
By Mark C. Wehrly,
Managing Member

/s/ Mark C. Wehrly

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By Mark C. Wehrly, individually and as attorney-in-fact for each of Chun R. Ding, William F. Duhamel, Richard B. Fried, Monica R. Landry, Douglas M. MacMahon, William F. Mellin, Stephen L. Millham, Jason E. Moment, Rajiv A. Patel, Derek C. Schrier and Thomas F. Steyer.

The Powers of Attorney executed by Ding and Schrier authorizing Wehrly to sign and file this Schedule 13G on each person's behalf, which were filed with Amendment No. 1 to the Schedule 13D filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on July 2, 2003, by such Reporting Persons with respect to the Common Stock of Salix Pharmaceuticals, Ltd., are hereby incorporated by reference. The Power of Attorney executed by Patel authorizing Wehrly to sign and file this Schedule 13G on his behalf, which was filed with Amendment No. 4 to the Schedule 13G filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 8, 2004, by such Reporting Person with respect to the Common Stock of Catalytica Energy Systems, Inc., is hereby incorporated by reference. The Power of Attorney executed by Moment authorizing Wehrly to sign and file this Schedule 13G on his behalf, which was filed with the Schedule 13D filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 9, 2006, by such Reporting Person with respect to the Common Stock of Vintage Petroleum, Inc., is hereby incorporated by reference. The Powers of Attorney executed by Duhamel, Fried, Landry, Mellin, Millham and Steyer authorizing Wehrly to sign and file this Schedule 13G on each person's behalf, which were filed with Amendment No. 2 to the Schedule 13G filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 13, 2006, by such Reporting Persons with respect to the Common Stock of Arbor Realty Trust, Inc., are hereby incorporated by reference. The Power of Attorney executed by MacMahon authorizing Wehrly to sign and file this Schedule 13D on his behalf, which was

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with the Schedule 13D filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 5, 2007, by such Reporting Person with respect to the Class A Common Stock of Univision Communications Inc., is hereby incorporated by reference.

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EXHIBIT 1 to SCHEDULE 13G

# JOINT ACQUISITION STATEMENT PURSUANT TO SECTION 240.13d-1(k)

The undersigned acknowledge and agree that the foregoing statement on Schedule 13G is filed on behalf of each of the undersigned and that all subsequent amendments to this statement on Schedule 13G shall be filed on behalf of each of the undersigned without the necessity of filing additional joint acquisition statements. The undersigned acknowledge that each shall be responsible for the timely filing of such amendments, and for the completeness and accuracy of the information concerning him, her or it contained therein, but shall not be responsible for the completeness and accuracy of the information concerning the other entities or persons, except to the extent that he, she or it knows or has reason to believe that such information is inaccurate.

Dated: March 8, 2007

/s/ Mark C. Wehrly

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