

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
Diefenderfer III, William M.
11600 Sallie Mae Drive
Reston, VA 20193
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
SLM Corporation (SLM)
3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
4. Statement for Month/Year
9/2002
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
(X) Director () 10% Owner
() Officer (give title below) () Other (specify below)
7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
(X) Form filed by One Reporting Person
() Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

TABLE I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security	2. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	3. Trans- action Code Code V	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	6. Owner- ship Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of In- direct Bene- ficial Owner- ship
Common Stock						9529	D	

TABLE II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.	11.
								Number of Deriv- ative Secur- ities Benefi-	Owner- ship Form of Deriv- ative Secur- ity: Direct (D) or In-	
Title of Derivative Security	Conver- sion or Exercise Price of Deriv- ative Security	Transac- tion Date (Month/ Day/Year)	Transac- tion Code	Number of Derivative Securities Acquired(A) Disposed(D)	Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	Amount or Number of Shares	Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	at End of Month
Phantom Stock Units	\$0	09/20/2002	A	2.13		Common 2.13	\$0.0000	976.05	D	

Explanation of Responses:

Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security is 1 to 1.

Phantom Stock Units accrued under the Director Deferred Compensation Plan are to be settled in the Company's common stock upon the reporting person's separation from service.

Includes Phantom Stock Units acquired under the Director Deferred Compensation Plan since the reporting persons last report at the prevailing market prices.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON
/s/Mary F. Eure (POA)

DATE
09/24/2002