

OCEANFIRST FINANCIAL CORP  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 OCEANFIRST FINANCIAL CORP  
 [OCFC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 975 HOOPER AVENUE  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/11/2008

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

TOMS RIVER, NJ 08754  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)			
Common Stock	12/11/2008		G	V	150	D	\$ 0 44,973	D	
Common Stock	12/11/2008		G	V	110	D	\$ 0 44,863	D	
Common Stock	12/11/2008		G	V	100	D	\$ 0 44,763	D	
Common Stock	12/11/2008		G	V	100	D	\$ 0 44,663	D	
Common Stock							889	D	(1) (2)

Common Stock 700 I By Custodian Account

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.001					02/19/1998	02/19/2007	Common Stock	0
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.88					02/20/2003	02/20/2012	Common Stock	9,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.44					05/30/2004	05/30/2013	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.525					05/28/2005	05/28/2014	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.475					02/15/2007	02/15/2016	Common Stock	3,000

