

MARTIN CHRISTOPHER P
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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 *
MARTIN CHRISTOPHER P

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES INC [PFS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
239 WASHINGTON STREET
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/07/2018

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chairman, President and CEO

JERSEY CITY, NJ 07302

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or (D) Price		
Common Stock	03/07/2018		A		31,224 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$ 0 340,215 D
Common Stock	03/07/2018		F		14,953	D	\$ 26.18 325,262 D
Common Stock					145,993 ⁽²⁾	I	By 401(k) Plan
Common Stock					14,177 ⁽²⁾	I	By ESOP
Common Stock					17,785	I	By Deferred Fee Plan

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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 or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 25.58					03/05/2019	03/05/2028	Common Stock	43,124
Stock Options	\$ 26.31					03/07/2018	03/07/2027	Common Stock	42,857
Stock Options	\$ 18.34					02/19/2016	02/19/2025	Common Stock	65,972
Stock Options	\$ 16.38					02/19/2015	02/19/2024	Common Stock	35,000
Stock Options	\$ 14.88					02/03/2013	02/03/2022	Common Stock	25,000
Stock Options	\$ 16.38					03/04/2016	02/19/2024	Common Stock	45,762
Stock Options	\$ 18.7					02/24/2017	02/24/2026	Common Stock	76,327
Stock Options	\$ 14.5					02/24/2011	02/24/2021	Common Stock	14,623
Stock Options	\$ 15.23					02/19/2014	02/19/2023	Common Stock	35,000
Stock Options	\$ 14.5					02/24/2012	02/24/2021	Common Stock	50,000
Stock Options	\$ 15.23					03/04/2015	02/19/2023	Common Stock	25,126
	\$ 14.88					03/04/2015	02/03/2022		22,542

Stock
Options

Common
Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MARTIN CHRISTOPHER P 239 WASHINGTON STREET JERSEY CITY, NJ 07302	X		Chairman, President and CEO	

Signatures

/s/ Leonard G. Gleason, Pursuant to Power of
Attorney

03/09/2018

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Performance vesting stock awards granted on February 19, 2015 based on meeting certain performance criteria.
- (2) Reflects transactions not required to be reported pursuant to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- (3) Stock options vest at a rate of 33.3% per year.
- (4) Stock options vest at a rate of 20% per year.
- (5) Stock options have fully vested.

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