

Maher Christopher
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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 *
 Maher Christopher

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)
 110 WEST FRONT STREET
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 02/28/2019

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

RED BANK, NJ 07701
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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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)	Price			
Common Stock	02/28/2019		A		6,450	A	\$ 0	116,518	D ⁽¹⁾	
Common Stock	02/28/2019		A		24,605	A	\$ 0	141,123	D ⁽²⁾	
Common Stock	03/01/2019		D		3,041	D	\$ 0	138,082	D ⁽³⁾	
Common Stock								8,407	I	By 401(k) Plan ⁽⁴⁾
Common Stock								2,156	I	By ESOP ⁽⁴⁾

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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)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Common Stock	\$ 25.2	02/28/2019		A		109,060		03/01/2020	03/01/2029	Common Stock	109,060
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.55							06/17/2014	06/17/2023	Common Stock	4,500
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.75							03/01/2015	03/19/2024	Common Stock	12,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.37							03/01/2016	03/18/2025	Common Stock	29,770
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.28							03/01/2017	03/16/2026	Common Stock	59,670
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.01							03/01/2018	03/15/2027	Common Stock	73,400
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27.4							03/01/2019	01/24/2028	Common Stock	25,270

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Maher Christopher 110 WEST FRONT STREET RED BANK, NJ 07701	X			Chairman, President and CEO

Signatures

/s/ Steven J. Tsimbinos, Power of Attorney

03/04/2019

__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) Restricted shares awarded. Such shares vest in five equal annual installments beginning on March 1, 2020. Total includes other restricted shares that vest in the future.

Shares vest in five equal annual installments beginning on March 1, 2020, at approximately 60% or approximately 80% to 100% depending on the attainment of defined performance criteria for each of the calendar years ended 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023, or are forfeited if threshold performance is not met. Total includes other restricted shares that vest in the future.
 - (2) Represents forfeiture of unvested performance-based restricted shares, originally awarded on January 24, 2018, for failure to satisfy performance conditions. Remaining shares earned under this award will vest on March 1 of 2020 and 2021, subject to the satisfaction of performance criteria. Total includes other unvested restricted shares that vest in the future.
 - (3) This form reflects increases in beneficial ownership resulting from exempt acquisitions pursuant to Rule 16b-3(c).
 - (4) Options vest in five equal annual installments beginning on the date first exercisable.

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