

FICALORA JOSEPH R  
 Form 4  
 May 02, 2003  
 SEC Form 4

<p><b>FORM 4</b></p> <p>[ ] Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).</p> <p>(Print or Type Responses)</p>	<p><b>UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION</b>                  Washington, D.C. 20549</p> <p><b>STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP</b></p> <p>Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940</p>	<p>OMB APPROVAL</p> <hr/> <p>OMB Number: 3235-0287                  Expires: January 31, 2005                  Estimated average burden hours per response: . . . . 0.5</p>
<p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*</p> <p><b>Ficalora, Joseph R.</b></p> <hr/> <p>(Last) (First)                  (Middle)  <b>615 Merrick Avenue</b></p> <hr/> <p>(Street)  <b>Westbury, NY 11590</b></p> <hr/> <p>(City) (State)                  (Zip)</p>	<p>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p><b>New York Community Bancorp, Inc. (NYB)</b></p>	<p>6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other  <b>President and Chief Executive Officer</b></p> <hr/> <p>7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person  <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p>
<p>3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary)</p>	<p>4. Statement for Month/Day/Year</p> <p><b>April 30, 2003</b></p>	<p>5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)</p>

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 and Voluntary Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) Of (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)
Common Stock	04/30/2003		M	50,000   A   \$22.230		D	
Common Stock	04/30/2003		F	32,065   D   \$34.665	1,190,833	D	
Common Stock					147,727	I	By 401(k) (1)
Common Stock					131,253	I	By ESOP
Common Stock					80,853	I	By Ficalora Family Foundation
Common Stock					272,051	I	By SERP (2)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number. (over) SEC 1474 (9-02)

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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 and Voluntary Code (Instr.8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) Of (Instr. 3,4 and 5)	6. Date Exercisable(DE) and Expiration Date(ED) (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr.5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions (Instr.4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr.4)	11. Nature of Beneficial Ownership (Instr.4)
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$22.230	04/30/2003		M I	(D) 50,000	12/21/2002 (3)   12/21/2011	Common Stock - 50,000		100,000	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$27.405					07/24/2002 (4)   01/24/2012	Common Stock - 713,812		713,812	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$24.610					07/24/2003 (5)   07/24/2012	Common Stock - 150,000		150,000	D	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$28.540					01/21/2004 (6)   01/21/2013	Common Stock - 210,000		210,000	D	

Explanation of Responses :

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.

See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

By: Ilene A. Angarola -  
05-01-2003

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person  
Date

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FOOTNOTE Descriptions for New York Community

**Bancorp, Inc. (NYB)**

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**Joseph R. Ficalora**  
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**Westbury, NY 11590**

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**Explanation of responses:**

(1) The shares previously reported as being held in a "401(a)" account are now held in a "401(k)" account. This form reflects increases in beneficial ownership resulting from exempt acquisitions under a 401(k) Plan pursuant to Rule 16b-3(c).

(2) Shares held in trust under the New York Community Bank Supplemental Benefits Plan ("SERP").

(3) Options granted under the New York Community Bancorp, Inc. 1997 Stock Option Plan that vest in three equal annual installments beginning on December 21, 2002.

(4) Options automatically granted pursuant to the reload feature of the New York Community Bancorp, Inc. 1997 Stock Option Plan that were exercisable beginning on July 24, 2002.

(5) Options granted pursuant to the New York Community Bancorp, Inc. 1997 Stock Option Plan vest in three equal annual installments commencing on July 24, 2003.

(6) Options granted pursuant to the New York Community Bancorp, Inc. 1997 Stock Option Plan vest in three equal annual installments commencing on January 21, 2004.