

OCEANFIRST FINANCIAL CORP
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
FITZPATRICK MICHAEL J

 (Last) (First) (Middle)
975 HOOPER AVENUE
 (Street)
TOMS RIVER, NJ 08753
 (City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
OCEANFIRST FINANCIAL CORP [OCFC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
04/20/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)
 ___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
Executive Vice President & CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)
				(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock					57,417	D	
Common Stock					39,835	I	By ESOP (1)

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 of Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.795	04/20/2005		A	1,464	04/20/2006 ⁽²⁾	04/20/2010	Common Stock	1,464
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.6067					02/04/1998	02/04/2007	Common Stock	214,979
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17.88					02/20/2003	02/20/2012	Common Stock	45,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.44					05/30/2004	05/30/2013	Common Stock	33,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.525					05/28/2005	05/28/2014	Common Stock	30,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.07					01/19/2005	01/19/2015	Common Stock	1,320

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FITZPATRICK MICHAEL J 975 HOOPER AVENUE TOMS RIVER, NJ 08753			Executive Vice President & CFO	

Signatures

/s/ Fitzpatrick,
Michael J.

04/22/2005

__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) This form reflects increases in beneficial ownership resulting from exempt acquisitions under the ESOP pursuant to Rule 16b-3(c).
 - (2) Stock Options vest in five equal annual installments commencing on April 20, 2006.

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