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PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES INC
Form 8-K
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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 29, 2008

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

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| Delaware ----- (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) | 001-31566 ----- (Commission File No.) | 42-1547151 ----- (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) |
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| 830 Bergen Avenue, Jersey City, New Jersey ----- (Address of Principal Executive Offices) | 07306-4599 ----- (Zip Code) |
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (201) 333-1000

Not Applicable
(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events

The Provident Bank, the wholly owned subsidiary of Provident Financial Services, Inc., completed the sale of its branch office located at 2518 Old Hooper Avenue, Brick, New Jersey to Nara Bank on February 29, 2008. After giving effect to this sale, The Provident Bank, a New Jersey chartered savings bank, operates 84 full-service branch offices in Hudson, Bergen, Essex, Mercer,

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Middlesex, Monmouth, Morris, Ocean, Somerset and Union counties.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (a) Financial Statements of Businesses Acquired. Not applicable
- (b) Pro Forma Financial Information. Not applicable
- (c) Shell company transactions. Not applicable
- (d) Exhibits. Not applicable

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized.

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.

DATE: March 3, 2008

By: /s/ Paul M. Pantozzi

Paul M. Pantozzi
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer