

WALSH JOHN E
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FORM 4

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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 *
WALSH JOHN E

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)
975 HOOPER AVENUE

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/18/2009

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

TOMS RIVER, NJ 08754

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	02/18/2009		A	355 A \$ 0	1,175	D	(2) (3)
Common Stock					15,356	D	(4)
Common Stock					770	I	By Wife/ Cust Child 1 (5)
Common Stock					384	I	By Wife/ Cust Child 2 (6)

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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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.28	02/18/2009		A	2,363	02/18/2010 02/18/2019	Common Stock	2,363
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.584					08/08/2001 08/08/2010	Common Stock	40,260
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.88					02/20/2003 02/20/2012	Common Stock	9,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.44					05/30/2004 05/30/2013	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.525					05/28/2005 05/28/2014	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.475					02/15/2007 02/15/2016	Common Stock	3,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.17					02/21/2008 02/21/2017	Common Stock	2,250

Buy)

Stock

Option
(Right to Buy) \$ 16.8102/20/2009 02/20/2018 Common
Stock 2,363

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WALSH JOHN E 975 HOOPER AVENUE TOMS RIVER, NJ 08754	X			

Signatures

/s/ John K. Kelly, Power of
Attorney

02/19/2009

**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) Options awarded under the OceanFirst Financial Corp. 2000 Stock Option Plan vest in five equal annual installments beginning on February 18, 2010.
 - (2) Restricted shares awarded on February 18, 2009 under the OceanFirst Financial Corp. 2006 Stock Incentive Plan vest in five equal annual installments beginning on March 1, 2010.
 - (3) Shares acquired by award. Description of Ownership changed from Indirect to Direct to reflect recipient's ability to vote all shares at the time of award.
 - (4) Since the reporting person's last report 225 award shares have vested.
 - (5) The reporting person no longer has a reportable beneficial interest in 770 shares of common stock owned by his son and included in the reporting person's prior ownership reports.
 - (6) The reporting person no longer has a reportable beneficial interest in 384 shares of common stock owned by his son and included in the reporting person's prior ownership reports.
 - (7) Options awarded under the OceanFirst Financial Corp. 2000 Stock Option Plan, vest in five equal annual installments beginning on February 20, 2009.

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