

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES INC  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES INC [PFS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 239 WASHINGTON STREET  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/07/2017

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 EVP and Chief Wealth Mgmt Ofc

JERSEY CITY, NJ 07302

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price			
Common Stock	02/07/2017		M		15,000	A	\$ 10.27	27,603	D	
Common Stock	02/07/2017		M		11,598	A	\$ 10.34	39,201	D	
Common Stock	02/07/2017		S		600	D	\$ 26.12	38,601	D	
Common Stock	02/07/2017		S		2,300	D	\$ 26.115	36,301	D	
Common Stock	02/07/2017		S		1,200	D	\$ 26.1125	35,101	D	

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Common Stock	02/07/2017	S	2,100	D	\$ 26.11	33,001	D
Common Stock	02/07/2017	S	100	D	\$ 26.095	32,901	D
Common Stock	02/07/2017	S	100	D	\$ 26.0875	32,801	D
Common Stock	02/07/2017	S	752	D	\$ 26.08	32,049	D
Common Stock	02/07/2017	S	200	D	\$ 26.07	31,849	D
Common Stock	02/07/2017	S	800	D	\$ 26.06	31,049	D
Common Stock	02/07/2017	S	3,121	D	\$ 26.05	27,928	D
Common Stock	02/07/2017	S	1,177	D	\$ 26.04	26,751	D
Common Stock	02/07/2017	S	1,037	D	\$ 26.03	25,714	D
Common Stock	02/07/2017	S	1,111	D	\$ 26.02	24,603	D
Common Stock	02/07/2017	S	200	D	\$ 26.015	24,403	D
Common Stock	02/07/2017	S	2,034	D	\$ 26.01	22,369	D
Common Stock	02/07/2017	S	600	D	\$ 26.0075	21,769	D
Common Stock	02/07/2017	S	900	D	\$ 26.005	20,869	D
Common Stock	02/07/2017	S	366	D	\$ 26	20,503	D
Common Stock	02/07/2017	S	100	D	\$ 25.99	20,403	D
Common Stock	02/07/2017	S	200	D	\$ 25.98	20,203	D
Common Stock	02/07/2017	S	800	D	\$ 25.975	19,403	D
Common Stock	02/07/2017	S	100	D	\$ 25.974	19,303	D
Common Stock	02/07/2017	S	100	D	\$ 25.9725	19,203	D
	02/07/2017	S	3,766	D	\$ 25.97	15,437	D

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Common Stock	02/07/2017		S	1,066	D	\$ 25.96	14,371	D	
Common Stock	02/07/2017		S	1,768	D	\$ 25.95	12,603	D	
Common Stock							18,497 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	By 401(k)
Common Stock							5,327 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	By ESOP

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)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Stock Options	\$ 10.27	02/07/2017		M	15,000 <sup>(2)</sup>	05/07/2010	05/07/2019	Common Stock	15,000
Stock Options	\$ 10.34	02/07/2017		M	11,598 <sup>(2)</sup>	03/04/2013	03/04/2023	Common Stock	11,598

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Nesci James D 239 WASHINGTON STREET JERSEY CITY, NJ 07302			EVP and Chief Wealth Mgmt Ofc	

## Signatures

/s/ Leonard G. Gleason, Pursuant to Power of  
Attorney

02/08/2017

\_\_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) Reflects transactions not required to be reported pursuant to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
  - (2) Stock options have fully vested.

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