

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES INC

Form 4

February 26, 2016

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Giovinazzi Brian

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)
02/24/2016

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
EVP, CCO of The Provident Bank

JERSEY CITY, NJ 07302

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

(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)
Common Stock	02/24/2016		A	(A) or (D) 2,278 (1)	\$ 0 65,815	D	
Common Stock					7,818 (2)	I	By ESOP
Common Stock					4,145 (2)	I	By IRA

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. Pri Deriv Secur (Instr		
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 12.54							01/29/2009	01/29/2018	Common Stock	5,370 (3)
Stock Options	\$ 10.34							03/04/2013	03/04/2023	Common Stock	12,114 (3)
Stock Options	\$ 10.4							02/03/2010	02/03/2019	Common Stock	7,110 (3)
Stock Options	\$ 10.4							02/03/2012	02/03/2019	Common Stock	2,124 (3)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Giovinazzi Brian 239 WASHINGTON STREET JERSEY CITY, NJ 07302	EVP, CCO of The Provident Bank

Signatures

/s/ Leonard G. Gleason, Pursuant to Power of Attorney 02/26/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Shares of restricted stock vest at a rate of 33.3% per year over a period ending February 24, 2019.

(2) Reflects transactions not required to be reported pursuant to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

(3) Stock options have fully vested.

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