

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**ODONNELL EDWARD**

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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**01/04/2017**

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

**239 WASHINGTON STREET**

(Street)

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

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

**JERSEY CITY, NJ 07302**

(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 (A) or (D) Price   |   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 12/29/2016                           |  | G                              | V 3,880 D \$ 0  | 84,091  | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 01/04/2017                           |  | M                              | 2,000 A \$ 17.94  | 86,091  | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 01/04/2017                           |  | F                              | 1,253 D \$ 28.64  | 84,838  | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 3,000   | 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 (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 Options                              | \$ 17.94   | 01/04/2017                           |  | M                              | 2,000<br>(1)   | 01/29/2008 01/29/2017                                    | Common Stock  | 2,000                         |
| Stock Options                              | \$ 12.54   |                                      |  |                                |  | 01/29/2009 01/29/2018                                    | Common Stock  | 3,000                         |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                    | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| ODONNELL EDWARD<br>239 WASHINGTON STREET<br>JERSEY CITY, NJ 07302 |               | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Leonard G. Gleason, Pursuant to Power of Attorney 01/06/2017

\_\_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 exercise of options that expire on January 29, 2017.

(2) Stock options have fully vested.

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