

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL HOLDINGS INC
Form 8-K
August 01, 2008

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): July 31, 2008

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL HOLDINGS, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) | 000-28304 (Commission File Number) | 33-0704889 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) |
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| 3756 Central Avenue, Riverside, California (Address of principal executive offices) | 92506 (Zip Code) |
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (951) 686-6060

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act
(17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

Item 8.01 Other Events

Provident Financial Holdings, Inc. (the "Corporation") announced on July 31, 2008 that the Corporation's Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.05 per share on the Corporation's outstanding shares of common stock. Shareholders of record at the close of business on August 25, 2008 will be entitled to receive the cash dividend. The cash dividend will be payable on September 19, 2008. The news release announcing the cash dividend is attached as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

99.1 News Release regarding the quarterly cash dividend of Provident Financial Holdings, Inc. dated July 31, 2008.

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.

Date: August 1, 2008

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL HOLDINGS, INC.

/s/ Craig G. Blunden
Craig G. Blunden
Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer
(Principal Executive Officer)

/s/ Donavon P. Ternes
Donavon P. Ternes
Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

EXHIBIT 99.1

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NEWS RELEASE

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL HOLDINGS ANNOUNCES QUARTERLY CASH DIVIDEND

Riverside, Calif. – July 31, 2008 – Provident Financial Holdings, Inc. (“Company”), NASDAQ GS: PROV, the holding company for Provident Savings Bank, F.S.B., today announced that the Company’s Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.05 per share. Shareholders of the Company’s common stock at the close of business on August 25, 2008 will be entitled to receive the cash dividend. The cash dividend will be payable on September 19, 2008.

Safe-Harbor Statement

This press release contains statements that the Company believes are “forward-looking statements.” These statements relate to the Company’s financial condition, results of operations, plans, objectives, future performance or business. You should not place undue reliance on these statements, as they are subject to risks and uncertainties. When considering these forward-looking statements, you should keep in mind these risks and uncertainties, as well as any cautionary statements the Company may make. Moreover, you should treat these statements as speaking only as of the date they are made and based only on information then actually known to the Company. There are a number of important factors that could cause future results to differ materially from historical performance and these forward-looking statements. Factors which could cause actual results to differ materially include, but are not limited to, the credit risks of lending activities, including changes in the level and trend of loan delinquencies and write-offs; changes in general economic conditions, either nationally or in our market areas; changes in the levels of general interest rates, deposit interest rates, our net interest margin and funding sources; fluctuations in the demand for loans, the number of unsold homes and other properties and fluctuations in real estate values in our market areas; results of examinations of us by the Office of Thrift Supervision and our bank subsidiary by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Office of Thrift Supervision or other regulatory authorities, including the possibility that any such regulatory authority may, among other things, require us to increase our reserve for loan losses or to write-down assets; our ability to control operating costs and expenses; our ability to implement our branch expansion strategy; our ability to successfully integrate any assets, liabilities, customers, systems, and management personnel we have

acquired or may in the future acquire into our operations and our ability to realize related revenue synergies and cost savings within expected time frames and any goodwill charges related thereto; our ability to manage loan delinquency rates; our ability to retain key members of our senior management team; costs and effects of litigation, including settlements and judgments; increased competitive pressures among financial services companies; changes in consumer spending, borrowing and savings habits; legislative or regulatory changes that adversely affect our business; adverse changes in the securities markets; inability of key third-party providers to perform their obligations to us; changes in accounting policies and practices, as may be adopted by the financial institution regulatory agencies or the Financial Accounting

Standards Board; war or terrorist activities; other economic, competitive, governmental, regulatory, and technological factors affecting our operations, pricing, products and services and other risks detailed in the Company's reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007, as amended.

Contacts: Craig G. Blunden
Chairman, President and CEO

Donavon P. Ternes
Chief Operating Officer and
Chief Financial Officer

