

Nardelli Vito  
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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 \*  
Nardelli Vito

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)  
02/20/2008

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
E.V.P., OceanFirst Bank

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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	02/20/2008		A	1,000 A \$ 0	2,303	I	By Award (1)
Common Stock					1,240	D	
Common Stock					1,227	I	By 401(k) (3)
Common Stock					4,490	I	By ESOP (3)
Common Stock					727	I	By Matching ESOP (3) (4)

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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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.81	02/20/2008		A	21,263	02/20/2009 02/20/2018	Common Stock 21,263
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.475					02/15/2007 02/15/2016	Common Stock 30,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.38					05/28/2005 05/28/2014	Common Stock 30,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.795					04/20/2006 04/20/2015	Common Stock 866
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.07					01/19/2006 01/19/2015	Common Stock 780
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.17					02/21/2008 02/21/2017	Common Stock 20,250

