

NEW YORK COMMUNITY BANCORP INC  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
 FREDERICK WILLIAM C MD

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 NEW YORK COMMUNITY BANCORP INC [NYB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 09/19/2008

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

615 MERRICK AVENUE

(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

WESTBURY, NY 11590

(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	09/19/2008		M		247,297	A	\$ 5.235	398,750	D	
Common Stock	09/19/2008		F		64,634	D	\$ 20.03	334,116	D	
Common Stock								12,240	I	By IRA (1)

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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 5.235	09/19/2008		M	247,297	07/31/2001 <sup>(2)</sup>	10/20/2008	Common Stock	247,297
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 6.65					07/31/2001 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/17/2010	Common Stock	32,600
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.845					07/24/2003 <sup>(3)</sup>	07/24/2012	Common Stock	45,300

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FREDERICK WILLIAM C MD 615 MERRICK AVENUE WESTBURY, NY 11590		X		

## Signatures

By: /s/ Ilene A. Angarola, Power of Attorney  
Date: 09/22/2008

\_\_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) Shares previously reported as being held directly by the reporting person.
  - (2) In connection with the merger of Richmond County with and into NYCB on July 31, 2001, each option to purchase one share of Richmond County common stock held by the reporting person was converted to an option to purchase 1.02 shares of NYCB common stock. The exercise price per share for each converted NYCB option was determined by dividing the exercise price of such option by the

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1.02 ratio, with such quotient to be rounded to the nearest whole cent. These options are fully vested and were exercisable as of July 31, 2001.

- (3) Options granted pursuant to the New York Community Bancorp, Inc. 1997 Stock Option Plan are fully vested and exercisable as of July 24, 2005.

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