

NEW YORK COMMUNITY BANCORP INC  
 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 \*  
 TSIMBINOS JOHN M

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	08/26/2008		J <sup>(1)</sup>	V 500,000 D \$ 0	1,175,451	D	
Common Stock	08/26/2008		J <sup>(1)</sup>	V 500,000 A \$ 0	500,000	I	By 2008 GRAT
Common Stock	09/19/2008		S <sup>(2)</sup>	2,590 D \$ 20.91	1,172,861	D	
Common Stock	09/19/2008		S <sup>(2)</sup>	120 D \$ 20.86	1,172,741	D	
Common Stock	09/19/2008		S <sup>(2)</sup>	17,290 D \$ 20.75	1,155,451	D	

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Common Stock	09/19/2008	S <sup>(2)</sup>	3,885	D	\$ 20.91	385,951	I	By 2007 GRAT
Common Stock	09/19/2008	S <sup>(2)</sup>	180	D	\$ 20.86	385,771	I	By 2007 GRAT
Common Stock	09/19/2008	S <sup>(2)</sup>	25,935	D	\$ 20.75	359,836	I	By 2007 GRAT
Common Stock						80,649	I	By Spouse
Common Stock						53,460	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. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 18.398					10/31/2003 <sup>(3)</sup> 06/26/2011	Common Stock	33,389

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
TSIMBINOS JOHN M 615 MERRICK AVENUE WESTBURY, NY 11590	X			

## Signatures

By: /s/ Ilene A. Angarola, Power of  
Attorney

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) 500,000 shares previously held by direct ownership have been transferred and are now held indirectly by 2008 GRAT.
- (2) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on February 25, 2008. The transactions reported on September 19, 2008 conclude the planned sales under the 10b5-1 trading plan.
- (3) Stock Options granted pursuant to the Roslyn Bancorp, Inc. 1997 Stock-Based Incentive Plan are fully vested and exercisable as of October 31, 2003.

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