

Burke Joseph J  
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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 \*  
 Burke Joseph J

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)  
 02/22/2010

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

TOMS RIVER, NJ 08754  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  | (A) or (D)   | Price                             |
| Common Stock                    | 02/22/2010                           |  | P                              |   | 400   | A  | \$ 9.96                           |
| Common Stock                    | 02/22/2010                           |  | P                              |   | 600   | A  | \$ 9.97                           |

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. Price of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|---|--|
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 23.475  |                                      |  |                                |   | Date Exercisable: 02/15/2007<br>Expiration Date: 02/15/2016 | Common Stock  | 3,000  |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 22.17   |                                      |  |                                |   | Date Exercisable: 02/21/2008<br>Expiration Date: 02/21/2017 | Common Stock  | 2,250  |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 16.81   |                                      |  |                                |   | Date Exercisable: 02/20/2009<br>Expiration Date: 02/20/2018 | Common Stock  | 2,363  |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 12.28   |                                      |  |                                |   | Date Exercisable: 02/18/2010<br>Expiration Date: 02/18/2019 | Common Stock  | 2,363  |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 10  |                                      |  |                                |   | Date Exercisable: 02/17/2011<br>Expiration Date: 02/17/2020 | Common Stock  | 3,310  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                              | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Burke Joseph J<br>975 HOOPER AVENUE<br>TOMS RIVER, NJ 08754 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ John K. Kelly, Power of  
Attorney

02/24/2010

\_\_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) Includes 605 restricted shares awarded on February 17, 2010 under the OceanFirst Financial Corp. 2006 Stock Incentive Plan that vest in five equal annual installments beginning on March 1, 2011.
- (2) Options awarded under the OceanFirst Financial Corp. 2006 Stock Incentive Plan vest in five equal annual installments beginning on February 17, 2011.

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