#### NEW YORK COMMUNITY BANCORP INC

Form 4

August 21, 2008

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Perso FICALORA JOSEPH R	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
	NEW YORK COMMUNITY BANCORP INC [NYB]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle 615 MERRICK AVENUE	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/27/2008	_X_ Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman, President & CEO			
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
WESTBURY, NY 11590		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(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)	Execution Date, if any Cod (Month/Day/Year) (Inst		Fransaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)  (A) or			of (D)	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)
Common Stock	05/27/2008		Code	V V	Amount 10,000	(D)	Price \$ 0	2,237,967	D	
Common Stock	08/19/2008		J <u>(1)</u>	V	5,484	A	\$ 15.59	347,445 <u>(2)</u>	I	By 401(k)
Common Stock	08/19/2008		J <u>(1)</u>	V	5,195	A	\$ 15.53	327,841	I	By ESOP
Common Stock	05/27/2008		G	V	10,000	A	\$ 0	230,579	I	By Ficalora Family Foundation
Common Stock	08/18/2008		J <u>(1)</u>	V	8,717	A	\$ 16.01	566,768	I	By SERP

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Common Stock	30,000 I	By Stock Award (3)						
Common Stock	75,000 I	By Stock Award II (4)						
Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.								
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# $\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			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)	\$ 12.5					12/21/2002(5)	12/21/2011	Common Stock	150,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.41					07/24/2002(6)	01/24/2012	Common Stock	1,262,511
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.85					07/24/2003(7)	07/24/2012	Common Stock	266,667
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.06					01/21/2004(8)	01/21/2013	Common Stock	248,888
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.06					12/30/2005(9)	01/21/2013	Common Stock	124,445

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FICALORA JOSEPH R

615 MERRICK AVENUE X Chairman, President & CEO

WESTBURY, NY 11590

## **Signatures**

By: /s/ Ilene A. Angarola, Power of Attorney 08/21/2008

\*\*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) This form reflects increases in beneficial ownership resulting from dividend reinvestment pursuant to Rule 16a-11.
- (2) On August 1, 2008, there was a 9 share adjustment made to the total share balance under the 401(k) plan increasing the total to 341,961 shares beneficially owned as of August 1, 2008.
- (3) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the New York Community Bancorp, Inc. 2006 Stock Incentive Plan will vest on April 2, 2009.
- (4) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the New York Community Bancorp, Inc. 2006 Stock Incentive Plan vest in five equal annual installments commencing on April 4, 2009.
- (5) Stock Options granted pursuant to the New York Community Bancorp, Inc. 1997 Stock Option Plan vest in equal installments beginning on December 21, 2002 and were fully vested and exercisable as of December 21, 2004.
- (6) Stock Options automatically granted pursuant to the reload feature of the New York Community Bancorp, Inc. 1997 Stock Option Plan that were exercisable on July 24, 2002.
- (7) Stock Options granted pursuant to the New York Community Bancorp, Inc. 1997 Stock Option Plan vest in equal installments beginning on July 24, 2003 and were fully vested and exercisable as of July 24, 2005.
- (8) Stock Options granted pursuant to the New York Community Bancorp, Inc. 1997 Stock Option Plan vest in equal installments beginning on January 21, 2004 and were fully vested and exercisable as of January 21, 2005.
- (9) Stock Options granted pursuant to the New York Community Bancorp, Inc. 1997 Stock Option Plan were fully exercisable as of December 30, 2005.

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