GARBARINO JOHN R

Form 4

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** GARBARINO JOHN R			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			OCEANFIRST FINANCIAL CORP [OCFC]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	_X_ Director10% Owner		
			(Month/Day/Year)	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
975 HOOPER AVENUE			12/10/2007	Chairman, President and CEO		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)		
TOMS RIVER, NJ 08754				_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acc	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	ispose	d 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	12/10/2007		P	200	A	\$ 16.43	1,004	I	Son 1 Trust
Common Stock	12/10/2007		P	100	A	\$ 16.46	1,104	I	Son 1 Trust
Common Stock	12/10/2007		P	100	A	\$ 16.47	1,204	I	Son 1 Trust
Common Stock	12/10/2007		P	200	A	\$ 16.48	1,404	I	Son 1 Trust
Common Stock	12/10/2007		P	200	A	\$ 16.54	1,604	I	Son 1 Trust

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Common Stock	12/10/2007	P	341	A	\$ 16.55	1,945	I	Son 1 Trust
Common Stock	12/10/2007	P	59	A	\$ 16.59	2,004	I	Son 1 Trust
Common Stock	12/10/2007	P	100	A	\$ 16.57	2,104	I	Son 1 Trust
Common Stock	12/10/2007	P	100	A	\$ 16.52	2,204	I	Son 1 Trust
Common Stock	12/10/2007	P	1,100	A	\$ 16.55	9,584	I	Son 2 Trust
Common Stock						309,770	D	
Common Stock						79,253	I	By 401(k)
Common Stock						45,446	I	By Esop (2)
Common Stock						183	I	By Matching ESOP (2)
Common Stock						14,445	I	By Spouse
Common Stock						7,635	I	By Award

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. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		e	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8 1 3 (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	

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					Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.525	05/28/2005	05/28/2014	Common Stock	90,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.795	04/20/2006	04/20/2015	Common Stock	3,806
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.07	01/19/2006	01/19/2015	Common Stock	3,430
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.44	05/30/2004	05/30/2013	Common Stock	90,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.88	02/20/2003	02/20/2012	Common Stock	120,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.475	02/15/2007	02/15/2016	Common Stock	63,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.17	02/21/2008	02/21/2017	Common Stock	60,750

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
r	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
GARBARINO JOHN R 975 HOOPER AVENUE TOMS RIVER, NJ 08754	X		Chairman, President and CEO				
Signatures							
/s/ John K. Kelly, Power of Attorney		12/11/200	7				
**Signature of Reporting Person		Date					

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- * 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 exempt acquisitions pursuant to Rule 16b-3(c).
- (2) This form reflects increases in beneficial ownership resulting from exempt acquisitions under the ESOP pursuant to Rule 16b-3(c).
- (3) Represents shares acquired under the OceanFirst Bank Matching Contribution Employee Stock Ownership Plan established as part of a spin-off from the OceanFirst Employee Stock Ownership Plan effective December 27, 2006.

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