CATANIA ANGELO

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

			er Name and Ticker or Trading NFIRST FINANCIAL CORP C]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) 975 HOOPE	(First) (MER AVENUE	, -, -, -, -, -, -, -, -, -, -, -, -, -,	of Earliest Transaction (Day/Year) 2010	_X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify below) below)		
TOMS RIV	(Street) ER, NJ 08753		nendment, Date Original onth/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	ble I - Non-Derivative Securities Ac	quired, 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	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price	Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock (1)	01/27/2010		P 3,000 A \$ 10.44	9,612 (2) (3) D		

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)

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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. Dr.Number 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)	\$ 23.475					02/15/2007	02/15/2016	Common Stock	3,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.17					02/21/2008	02/21/2017	Common Stock	2,250
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.81					02/20/2009	02/20/2018	Common Stock	2,363
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.28					02/18/2010	02/18/2019	Common Stock	2,363

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
CATANIA ANGELO 975 HOOPER AVENUE TOMS RIVER, NJ 08753	X					
Signatures						
/s/ John K. Kelly, Power of Attorney		01/28/201	0			
**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) Previously, restricted shares held directly that were awarded under the OceanFirst Financial Corp. 2006 Stock Incentive Plan were recorded separately. These amounts are now combined with all direct ownership.
- (2) Current balance reflects correction of technical errors in record keeping.
- (3) Current balance includes 170 shares purchased during 2009 through the dividend reinvestment plan.
- Options awarded under the OceanFirst Financial Corp. 2000 Stock Option Plan, vest in five equal annual installments beginning on February 20, 2009.
- Options awarded under the OceanFirst Financial Corp. 2000 Stock Option Plan vest in five equal annual installments beginning on February 18, 2010.

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