

CATANIA ANGELO
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FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
CATANIA ANGELO

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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)

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

975 HOOPER AVENUE

02/26/2010

(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

TOMS RIVER, NJ 08753

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 02/26/2010 | | P | 500 A \$ 10.15 | 10,717 | D ⁽¹⁾ | |

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. 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|
| 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 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 10 | | | | | 02/17/2011 02/17/2020 | Common Stock | 3,310 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| CATANIA ANGELO 975 HOOPER AVENUE TOMS RIVER, NJ 08753 | X | | | |

Signatures

/s/ John K. Kelly, Power of Attorney
02/26/2010

