

SMITH PHILIP W III  
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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 \*  
SMITH PHILIP W III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
PEAPACK GLADSTONE FINANCIAL CORP [PGC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
190 MAIN STREET, PO BOX 178  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/09/2009

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

GLADSTONE, NJ 07934  
  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Common Stock	03/09/2009		P	A	\$ 1,000	I	by Phillary Management Inc., a Corporation
Common Stock					27,273.5486	D	
Common Stock					6,974.4948	I	Spouse
Common Stock					698.0353	I	Child
Common Stock					685.2834	I	Child

Common  
Stock

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 or Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock option (right to buy)	\$ 15.68					<u>(5)</u>	03/08/2010	Common Stock	1,272
Stock option (right to buy)	\$ 28.89					<u>(1)</u>	01/09/2014	Common Stock	11,000
Stock option (right to buy)	\$ 28.1					<u>(2)</u>	01/03/2017	Common Stock	2,200
Stock option (right to buy)	\$ 24.57					<u>(3)</u>	01/02/2018	Common Stock	2,200

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

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190 MAIN STREET  
PO BOX 178  
GLADSTONE, NJ 07934

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## Signatures

Philip W. Smith  
III 03/11/2009

\*\*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).

The options were exercisable in five equal annual installments on January 9, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009. On December 8, 2005, the

- (1) Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of Peapack-Gladstone Financial Corporation authorized the accelerated vesting of the remaining options.
- (2) The options are exercisable in five equal annual installments on January 3, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012.
- (3) The options are exercisable in five equal annual installments on January 2, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013.
- (4) Includes shares received through dividend reinvestment since the last filing.
- (5) The options are exercisable in five equal annual installments on March 8, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2006.

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