

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL HOLDINGS INC
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FORM 4

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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 *
 GALE RICHARD L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 PROVIDENT FINANCIAL HOLDINGS INC [PROV]

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 3756 CENTRAL AVENUE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 09/30/2014

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Senior Vice President

RIVERSIDE, CA 92506
 (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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01	09/30/2014		A	(A) Amount (D) Price	12,500 ⁽¹⁾ A \$ 0 101,426 ⁽²⁾	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. 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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option to Purchase Common	\$ 14.59	09/30/2014		A	17,500 (3)	09/30/2016	09/30/2024	Common Stock	17,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GALE RICHARD L 3756 CENTRAL AVENUE RIVERSIDE, CA 92506			Senior Vice President	

Signatures

/s/Richard L. Gale 09/30/2014

**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) Reflects award of restricted stock under the Provident 2010 Equity Incentive Plan, 50% of which vest on September 30, 2016 and September 30, 2018, respectively.
Includes 5,000 shares of restricted stock awarded under the Provident 2010 Equity Incentive Plan. Also includes indirect ownership of
- (2) 1,793 shares held in the reporting person's 401(k) plan, 43,550 shares held in the Employee Stock Ownership Plan, and 361 shares held by the reporting person's spouse.
- (3) Reflects the grant of options under the Provident 2010 Equity Incentive Plan, 50% of which vest on September 30, 2016 and September 30, 2018, respectively, with the entire grant expiring in ten years.
- (4) Includes (a) 17,000 options granted under the Provident 2006 Equity Incentive Plan; and (b) 20,000 options granted under the Provident 2010 Equity Incentive Plan.

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