

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES 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 \*  
 Berry Thomas W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES INC [PFS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 239 WASHINGTON STREET  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/10/2015

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

JERSEY CITY, NJ 07302

(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)		
				Code	V	Amount				(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	12/10/2015		M			7,000	A	\$ 17.94	88,426	D	
Common Stock	12/10/2015		S			7,000	D	\$ 20.0016	81,426	D	
Common Stock	12/10/2015		M			7,000	A	\$ 18.55	88,426	D	
Common Stock	12/10/2015		S			7,000	D	\$ 20.0016	81,426	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)

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. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 17.94	12/10/2015		M	7,000	01/29/2008 01/29/2017	Common Stock	7,000 <u>(1)</u>
Stock Options	\$ 18.55	12/10/2015		M	7,000	02/22/2007 02/22/2016	Common Stock	7,000 <u>(1)</u>
Stock Options	\$ 12.54					01/29/2009 01/29/2018	Common Stock	8,000 <u>(1)</u>

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Berry Thomas W 239 WASHINGTON STREET JERSEY CITY, NJ 07302			X	

## Signatures

/s/ Leonard G. Gleason, Pursuant to Power of Attorney 12/11/2015

\*\*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) Stock options have fully vested.

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