

OCEANFIRST FINANCIAL CORP
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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 *
 RHINE DIANE F

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)
 975 HOOPER AVENUE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 12/01/2016

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

TOMS RIVER, NJ 08754
 (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	12/01/2016		M	2,250 A \$ 22.17	40,097	D ⁽¹⁾	
Common Stock	12/01/2016		F	1,978 D \$ 25.22	38,119	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)

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
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.17	12/01/2016		M	2,250	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
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.87					02/18/2012	02/18/2021	Common Stock	3,500
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.83					02/15/2013	02/15/2022	Common Stock	3,500
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 14.62					02/15/2014	02/15/2023	Common Stock	3,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
RHINE DIANE F 975 HOOPER AVENUE TOMS RIVER, NJ 08754		X		

Signatures

/s/ Steven J. Tsimbinos, Power of Attorney
12/02/2016

__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) Total includes unvested restricted stock.
- (2) Options vest in five equal annual installments beginning on the date first exercisable.

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