

GARBARINO JOHN R
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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 *
GARBARINO JOHN R

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)
08/28/2006

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chairman, President and CEO

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	08/28/2006		F	V Amount (D) Price 98,598 D \$ 21.41	153,861	D	
Common Stock	08/28/2006		M	A \$ 9.607	373,593	D	
Common Stock	08/29/2006		S	D \$ 21.6	371,267	D	
Common Stock					59,056	I	By 401(k) (1)
Common Stock					804	I	Son 1 Trust

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Common Stock	41,575	I	By Esop (2)
Common Stock	8,484	I	Son 2 Trust
Common Stock	14,445	I	By Spouse
Common Stock	4,658	I	By Award (3) (4)

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)	Amount of Shares
					V	(A) (D)			
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.607	08/28/2006		M		219,732	02/04/1998 02/04/2007	Common Stock	219,732
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.07						01/19/2006 01/19/2015	Common Stock	3,400
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 20.795						04/20/2006 04/20/2015	Common Stock	3,800
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.525						05/28/2005 05/28/2014	Common Stock	90,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.44						05/30/2004 05/30/2013	Common Stock	90,000

