WALSH JOHN E Form 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A WALSH JO	Symbol OCEA	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol OCEANFIRST FINANCIAL CORP [OCFC]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(Last) 975 HOOPE	(First) (MER AVENUE	Earliest Transaction ay/Year) 111				_X_ Director Officer (gives below)		6 Owner eer (specify			
TOMS RIVI	(Street) ER, NJ 08754		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned											
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Code	4. SecurionAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	d (A) of d of (D 4 and (A) or))	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	02/18/2011		A	796	A	\$0	17,990	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)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof 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
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.87	02/18/2011		A	3,500	02/18/2012	02/18/2021	Common Stock	3,500
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.88					02/20/2003	02/20/2012	Common Stock	9,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.44					05/30/2004	05/30/2013	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.525					05/28/2005	05/28/2014	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.475					02/15/2007	02/15/2016	Common Stock	3,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.17					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	\$ 10					02/17/2011	02/17/2020	Common Stock	3,310

(Right to Buy)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WALSH JOHN E
975 HOOPER AVENUE
X
TOMS RIVER, NJ 08754

Signatures

/s/ Steven J. Tsimbinos, Power of Attorney

02/22/2011

**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) Restricted shares awarded on February 18, 2011 under the OceanFirst Financial Corp. 2006 Stock Incentive Plan vest in five equal annual installments beginning on March 1, 2012. Total includes other unvested restricted stock.
- Options awarded on February 18, 2011 under the OceanFirst Financial Corp. 2006 Stock Incentive Plan vest in five equal annual installments beginning on February 18, 2012.
- (3) Options vest in five equal annual installments beginning on the date first exercisable.

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