OCEANFIRST FINANCIAL CORP Form 8-K January 20, 2012

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): January 19, 2012

OCEANFIRST FINANCIAL CORP.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 001-11713 (State or other jurisdiction of (Commission

22-3412577 (IRS Employer

incorporation or organization)

File No.)

Identification No.)

975 HOOPER AVENUE, TOMS RIVER, NEW JERSEY 08753

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(732)240-4500

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 140.13e-4(c))

ITEM 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATION AND FINANCIAL CONDITION

On January 19, 2012, OceanFirst Financial Corp. (the Company) issued a press release announcing its financial results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2011. That press release is attached to this Report as Exhibit 99.1

ITEM 8.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

In the press release described in Item 2.02, the Company announced that the Company s Board of Directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend on the Company s outstanding common stock. The Cash dividend will be in the amount of \$0.12 per share and will be payable on February 10, 2012 to the stockholders of record at the close of business on January 30, 2012.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

OCEANFIRST FINANCIAL CORP.

/s/Michael Fitzpatrick Michael Fitzpatrick Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Dated: January 20, 2012

Exhibit Index

Exhibit Description

99.1 Press Release dated January 19, 2012.