

FITZPATRICK MICHAEL J
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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 FITZPATRICK MICHAEL J

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)
 02/20/2008

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Executive Vice President & CFO

TOMS RIVER, NJ 08754
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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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	02/20/2008		A	1,000 A \$ 0	2,303	I	By Award <u>(1)</u>
Common Stock					86,575	D	
Common Stock					47,111	I	By Esop <u>(3)</u>
Common Stock					4,339	I	By Matching ESOP <u>(4)</u> <u>(5)</u>

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)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.81	02/20/2008		A		21,263		02/20/2009	02/20/2018	Common Stock	21,263
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.44							05/30/2004	05/30/2013	Common Stock	33,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.607							02/04/1998	02/04/2007	Common Stock	0
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17.88							02/20/2003	02/20/2012	Common Stock	45,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.07							01/19/2006	01/19/2015	Common Stock	1,320
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22.525							05/28/2005	05/28/2014	Common Stock	30,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.475							02/15/2007	02/15/2016	Common Stock	30,000

