

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES INC  
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**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**BLUM DONALD W**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES INC [PFS]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**239 WASHINGTON STREET**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**08/31/2016**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**EVP/CLO of The Provident Bank**

**JERSEY CITY, NJ 07302**  
 (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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	08/31/2016		S		2,377	D	\$ 21.4
Common Stock	08/31/2016		S		5,436	D	\$ 21.39
Common Stock	08/31/2016		S		1,000	D	\$ 21.38
Common Stock	08/31/2016		S		881	D	\$ 21.37
Common Stock	08/31/2016		S		300	D	\$ 21.365
							72,315
							66,879
							65,879
							64,998
							64,698

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Common Stock	08/31/2016	S	1,000	D	\$ 21.36	63,698	D	
Common Stock						16,774 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	By ESOP
Common Stock						5,696 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	By 401(k)

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. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Stock Options	\$ 10.4					02/03/2010 02/03/2019	Common Stock	8,090
Stock Options	\$ 12.54					01/29/2009 01/29/2018	Common Stock	6,100
Stock Options	\$ 10.4					02/03/2012 02/03/2019	Common Stock	2,417

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
BLUM DONALD W 239 WASHINGTON STREET JERSEY CITY, NJ 07302	Director 10% Owner Officer EVP/CLO of The Provident Bank

## Signatures

/s/ Leonard G. Gleason, Pursuant to Power of  
Attorney

09/01/2016

\_\_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) Reflects transactions not required to be reported pursuant to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

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