OCEANFIRST FINANCIAL CORP

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Burke Joseph J Issuer Symbol OCEANFIRST FINANCIAL CORP (Check all applicable) [OCFC] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 975 HOOPER AVENUE 03/15/2017 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting TOMS RIVER, NJ 08754 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of 3. Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Beneficially Beneficial Disposed of (D) (D) or (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Ownership (Instr. 8) Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 03/15/2017 A 1.335 \$0 20,508 $D^{(1)}$ Α Stock

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. conNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Prio Deriv Secur (Instr.
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
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 (right to buy)	\$ 10					02/17/2011	02/17/2020	Common Stock	3,310	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.87					02/18/2012	02/18/2021	Common Stock	3,500	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.83					02/15/2013	02/15/2022	Common Stock	3,500	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.62					02/15/2014	02/15/2023	Common Stock	3,500	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer Other				
Burke Joseph J							
975 HOOPER AVENUE	X						
TOMS RIVER, NJ 08754							

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Signatures

/s/ Steven J. Tsimbinos, Power of Attorney 03/16/2017

**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. Such shares vest in five equal annual installments beginning on March 1, 2018. Total includes other restricted shares that vest in the future.
- (2) Options vest in five equal annual installments beginning on the date first exercisable.

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