PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES INC Form 8-K April 28, 2011

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

**WASHINGTON, D.C. 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): April 28, 2011

## PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction

001-31566 (Commission 42-1547151 (I.R.S. Employer

of Incorporation) File No.) Identification No.)

239 Washington Street, Jersey City, New Jersey 07302
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)
Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (732) 590-9200

#### Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of
the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- " Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- " Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On April 28, 2011, Provident Financial Services, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release reporting its financial results for the three months ended March 31, 2011. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is being furnished to the SEC and shall not be deemed filed for any purpose.

#### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

The Company announced that its Board of Directors declared a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.12 per share, payable on May 31, 2011 to stockholders of record on May 16, 2011. The dividend is an increase of 9.1% from the prior quarter s cash dividend of \$0.11 per share. This announcement was included as part of a press release announcing financial results for the quarter ended March 31, 2011 issued by the Company and attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is being furnished to the SEC and shall not be deemed filed for any purpose.

The Company will make a presentation at its 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held at the Sheraton Newark Airport Hotel, 128 Frontage Road, Newark, New Jersey on Thursday, April 28, 2010, at 10:00 a.m., local time. The presentation provides an overview of the Company s business and strategic focus and its results of its operations for the quarter ended March 31, 2011. A copy of the presentation is attached as Exhibit 99.2 to this report and is being furnished to the SEC and shall not be deemed filed for any purpose.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (a) Financial Statements of Businesses Acquired. Not applicable.
- (b) Pro Forma Financial Information. Not applicable.
- (c) Shell Company Transactions. Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press release issued by the Company on April 28, 2011 announcing its financial results for the three months ended March 31, 2011 and the declaration of a quarterly cash dividend.
99.2	Slide presentation to be made at the Company s 2011 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on April 28, 2011.

#### **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.

## PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.

Date: April 28, 2011 By: /s/ Christopher Martin

Christopher Martin, Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

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