

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES INC  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
KUNTZ JOHN F

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)  
03/02/2016

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EVP, General Counsel, Secretary

JERSEY CITY, NJ 07302

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

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(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 (D) Price			
Common Stock	03/02/2016		M	10,000 (1) A \$ 18.48	75,186	D	
Common Stock	03/02/2016		S	8,400 D \$ 18.83	66,786	D	
Common Stock	03/02/2016		S	400 D \$ 18.85	66,386	D	
Common Stock	03/02/2016		S	1,200 D \$ 18.87	65,186	D	
Common Stock					2,096 (2)	I	By 401(k)

Common Stock	15,143 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	By ESOP
Common Stock	500	I	By Wife's IRA

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 Options	\$ 18.48	03/02/2016		M	10,000 <sup>(1)</sup>	03/23/2007	03/23/2016	Common Stock	10,000 <sup>(1)</sup>
Stock Options	\$ 10.4					02/03/2010	02/03/2019	Common Stock	7,780 <sup>(3)</sup>
Stock Options	\$ 18.87					09/21/2007	09/21/2016	Common Stock	10,000 <sup>(3)</sup>
Stock Options	\$ 10.4					02/03/2012	02/03/2019	Common Stock	2,324 <sup>(3)</sup>
Stock Options	\$ 10.34					03/04/2013	03/04/2023	Common Stock	13,403 <sup>(3)</sup>
Stock Options	\$ 17.94					01/29/2008	01/29/2017	Common Stock	10,698 <sup>(3)</sup>
Stock Options	\$ 12.54					01/29/2009	01/29/2018	Common Stock	5,640 <sup>(3)</sup>

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other  
EVP, General Counsel, Secretary

KUNTZ JOHN F  
239 WASHINGTON STREET  
JERSEY CITY, NJ 07302

## Signatures

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

03/03/2016

\_\_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) Exercise of stock options expiring on March 23, 2016.
  - (2) Reflects transactions not required to be reported pursuant to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
  - (3) Stock options have fully vested.

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