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PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES INC  
Form 8-K  
July 12, 2004

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): July 9, 2004  
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PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.  
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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

----- Delaware ----- (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	----- 1-31566 ----- (Commission File No.)	----- 42-1547151 ----- (IRS Employer Identification No.)
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----- 830 Bergen Avenue, Jersey City, New Jersey ----- (Address of principal executive offices)	----- 07306-4599 ----- (Zip Code)
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (201) 333-1000  
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Not Applicable  
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(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Item 5. Other Events and Required FD Disclosure

On July 9, 2004, Provident Financial Services, Inc. and First Sentinel Bancorp, Inc. issued a joint press release announcing the preliminary results of elections made by First Sentinel stockholders as to the form of merger consideration to be received in the pending merger of First Sentinel with and into Provident. The joint press release also announced the preliminary results of the allocation and proration procedures set forth in the Agreement and Plan of Merger. A copy of the joint press release, dated as of July 9, 2004, is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(a) Not Applicable.

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(b) Not Applicable.

(c) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. -----	Description -----
99.1	Joint press release dated July 9, 2004

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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: July 9, 2004

By /s/Paul M. Pantozzi

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Paul M. Pantozzi  
Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President

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