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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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Issuer

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

OCEANFIRST FINANCIAL CORP

Symbol

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

GARBARINO JOHN R

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

| | | | [OCFC] | | | | | (Check all applicable) | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|-------------------|---|--|---|--------------------|-------|---|--|---|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 975 HOOPER AVENUE | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/10/2017 | | | | | _X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) | | | | |
| (Street) TOMS RIVER, NJ 08754 | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person _ Form filed by More than One Reporting | | | | |
| (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Ac | | | | | | | | Person equired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year | r) Executi any | emed on Date, if /Day/Year) | 3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securi on Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3, | l (A) o l of (D |) | 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) | | |
| Common Stock | 02/10/2017 | | | S | 2 | D | \$ 29 | 286,314 | D (1) | | | |
| Common Stock | 02/13/2017 | | | S | 2,998 | D | \$ 29 | 283,316 | D (1) | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 14,445 | I | By Spouse | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 105,057 | I | Spouse Trust | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 9,584 | I | Son 2 Trust | | |

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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> 8. Pri Deriv Secur (Instr

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) | Execution Date, if TransactionNumbers Code of Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Derive Secure Acque (A) or Disposof (D) (Instr. 8) | | orNumber | 6. Date Exercis Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y | e | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8 II S (|
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--------|----------|---|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|----------|
| | | | | 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 | 63,788 | |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 10 | | | | | 02/17/2011 | 02/17/2020 | Common Stock | 89,305 | |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 13.87 | | | | | 02/18/2012 | 02/18/2021 | Common Stock | 90,000 | |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 13.83 | | | | | 02/15/2013 | 02/15/2022 | Common Stock | 90,000 | |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 14.62 | | | | | 02/15/2014 | 02/15/2023 | Common Stock | 80,000 | |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 17.75 | | | | | 03/01/2015 | 03/19/2024 | Common Stock | 80,000 | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GARBARINO JOHN R

975 HOOPER AVENUE X

TOMS RIVER, NJ 08754

Signatures

/s/ Steven J. Tsimbinos, Power of Attorney 02/13/2017

**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) Total includes shares of restricted stock that vest in the future.
- (2) Options vest in five equal annual installments beginning on the date first exercisable.

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