Spero Vincent A Form 4 March 13, 2019

FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Spero Vincent A

(First)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol

PEAPACK GLADSTONE FINANCIAL CORP [PGC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

500 HILLS DRIVE, SUITE 300, PO (Month/Day/Year) 03/11/2019

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Middle)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner ____ X__ Officer (give title _____ Other (specify

below) below)

EVP, Head of Comml Real Estate

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person ___ Form filed by More than One Reporting

Persor

BEDMINSTER, NJ 07921

(Last)

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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. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	03/11/2019		F(1)	271	D	\$ 27.75	47,847.4934	D	
Common Stock	03/11/2019		F(1)	259	D	\$ 27.75	47,588.4934	D	
Common Stock	03/11/2019		F(1)	615	D	\$ 27.75	48,579.4934	D	
Common Stock	03/11/2019		F <u>(1)</u>	347	D	\$ 27.75	49,139.4934	D	
Common Stock	03/11/2019		F(1)	489	D	\$ 27.75	49,928.4934	D	

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Common Stock	03/11/2019	F(1)	196	D	\$ 27.75	50,243.4934	D	
Common Stock						15,347.35 (2)	I	401(k) Plan/Profit Sharing
Common Stock						3,370.7616 (3)	I	Employee Stock Purchase Plan

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

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8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber 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
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(4)</u>					(5)	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	7,520
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(4)</u>					<u>(6)</u>	(6)	Common Stock	4,764
Restricted Stock Units	(7)					<u>(8)</u>	(8)	Common Stock	2,080

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

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EVP, Head of Comml Real Estate

Signatures

Vincent A. Spero 03/13/2019

**Signature of
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

Date

- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Shares withheld to satisfy tax withholding obligations arising from settlement of restricted stock units.
- (2) Includes 401(k) contributions used to purchase PGC stock.
- (3) Includes shares received through dividend reinvestment since the last filing.
- (4) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock of Peapack-Gladstone Financial Corporation.
- (5) The restricted stock units vest and settle in stock in three approximately equal installments on each of the first three anniversaries of the grant date.
- (6) The restricted stock units vest and settle in stock in five approximately equal installments on each of the first five anniversaries of the grant date.
- (7) Each restricted stock unit represents the right to receive one share of common stock of Peapack-Gladstone Financial Corporation subject to certain performance conditions. The units will cliff vest, after three years, if the conditions are met.
- (8) The restricted stock units will cliff vest on the third anniversary of the grant date subject to certain performance conditions being satisfied. Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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