

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES INC

Form 4

November 16, 2007

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
PANTOZZI PAUL M

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)

830 BERGEN AVENUE

(Street)

JERSEY CITY, NJ 07306

(City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
11/13/2007

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

☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)
Chairman and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☐ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

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)
Common Stock	11/13/2007		G	V 1,800 D \$ 0	211,894	D	
Common Stock	11/15/2007		G	V 800 D \$ 0	211,094	D	
Common Stock					23,626 ⁽¹⁾	I	By SERP
Common Stock					9,282 ⁽¹⁾	I	By 401(k)
Common Stock					5,398	I	By ESOP

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Common Stock 500 I By Spouse

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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 17.94					01/29/2008 01/29/2017	Common Stock	40,000 ⁽²⁾
Stock Options	\$ 18.57					07/17/2004 07/17/2013	Common Stock	1,120,000 ⁽³⁾

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
PANTOZZI PAUL M 830 BERGEN AVENUE JERSEY CITY, NJ 07306	X Chairman and CEO

Signatures

/s/ John F. Kuntz, pursuant to power of attorney

11/16/2007

 **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) Reflects transactions not required to be reported pursuant to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

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- (2) Stock options vest at a rate of 20% per year over a period ending January 29, 2012.
- (3) Stock options vest at a rate of 20% per year over a period ending July 17, 2008.

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