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PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES INC

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UNITED STATES
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): September 29, 2009

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.

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(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware 001-31566 42-1547151

(State or Other Jurisdiction) (Commission File No.) (I.R.S. Employer of Incorporation) Identification No.)

830 Bergen Avenue, Jersey City, New Jersey 07306-4599

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (201) 333-1000

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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- [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors;

Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of

Certain Officers

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As previously announced by Provident Financial Services, Inc. (the "Company"), effective September 29, 2009 Linda A. Niro retired as Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of the Company and The Provident Bank (the "Bank"). Also as previously announced, effective September 29, 2009, Thomas M. Lyons, Senior Vice President of the Company and Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer of the Bank, assumed the title of Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of the Company and the Bank.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (a) Financial Statements of Businesses Acquired. Not applicable.
- (b) Pro Forma Financial Information. Not applicable.
- (c) Shell Company Transactions. Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits. None.

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: September 30, 2009 By: /s/ John F. Kuntz

John F. Kuntz

General Counsel and Corporate Secretary