





Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

(c) On November 28, 2018, OceanFirst Bank N.A., the Registrant's banking subsidiary, appointed:

Joseph J. Lebel III, who is currently its Executive Vice President and Chief Banking Officer, as its Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer;

Joseph A. Iantosca, who is currently its Executive Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer, as its Executive Vice President and Chief Information Officer; and

Michele B. Estep, who is currently its Senior Vice President, Human Resources, as its Executive Vice President and Chief Administrative Officer.

The above appointments will be effective on January 1, 2019 and are part of an executive realignment that is further described in the press release attached as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 8.01 Other Events

On December 3, 2018, the Registrant issued a press release announcing the above appointments and executive realignment. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release Announcing Executive Realignments of OceanFirst Bank N.A.

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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.

OCEANFIRST FINANCIAL CORP.

Date: December 3, 2018 /s/ Michael J. Fitzpatrick  
Michael J. Fitzpatrick  
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer



EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Description
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<u>99.1</u>	Press Release Announcing Executive Realignment of OceanFirst Bank N.A.
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