

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES INC

Form 4

February 05, 2010

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

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Section 16.
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See Instruction
1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
LYONS THOMAS M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

830 BERGEN AVENUE

(Street)

JERSEY CITY, NJ 07306

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
PROVIDENT FINANCIAL
SERVICES INC [PFS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/03/2010

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
SVP/CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ 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	02/03/2010		A	(A) or (D) 4,373 (7)	\$ 0 16,583	D	
Common Stock					3,459 (1)	I	By ESOP
Common Stock					15,863 (1)	I	By 401(k)
Common Stock					2,200	I	By IRA

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. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options	\$ 10.4							02/03/2010	02/03/2019	Common Stock	2,044 ⁽²⁾
Stock Options	\$ 12.54							01/29/2009	01/29/2018	Common Stock	1,540 ⁽³⁾
Stock Options	\$ 17.94							01/29/2008	01/29/2017	Common Stock	11,024 ⁽⁴⁾
Stock Options	\$ 18.55							02/22/2007	02/22/2016	Common Stock	10,000 ⁽⁵⁾
Stock Options	\$ 18.03							07/21/2006	07/21/2015	Common Stock	10,000 ⁽⁶⁾

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LYONS THOMAS M 830 BERGEN AVENUE JERSEY CITY, NJ 07306			SVP/CFO	

Signatures

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

02/05/2010

__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 transaction not required to be reported pursuant to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

(2) Stock options vest at a rate of 20% per year over a period ending February 3, 2014.

(3) Stock options vest at a rate of 20% per year over a period ending January 29, 2013.

(4) Stock options vest at a rate of 20% per year over a period ending January 29, 2012.

(5) Stock options vest at a rate of 20% per year over a period ending February 22, 2011.

(6) Stock options vest at a rate of 20% per year over a period ending July 21, 2010.

(7) Shares of restricted stock vest at a rate of 1/3 per year over a period ending February 3, 2013.

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