OCEANFIRST FINANCIAL CORP

Form 4

October 19, 2006

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FELTZ CARL JR	2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol OCEANFIRST FINANCIAL CORP [OCFC]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) __X__ Director _____ 10% Owner _____ Officer (give title _____ Other (specify below) below)
(Last) (First) (Middle) 975 HOOPER AVENUE	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/18/2006	
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person ___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
TOMS RIVER, NJ 08754		
(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. 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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	10/18/2006	10/18/2006	M		11,656	A	$ 9.607	93,953	D	
Common Stock								345	I	By Award

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

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)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	$ 9.607	10/18/2006	10/18/2006	M			11,656	02/04/1998	02/04/2007	Common Stock	11,656
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	$ 22.525							05/28/2005	05/28/2014	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	$ 23.44							05/30/2004	05/30/2013	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	$ 23.475							02/15/2007	02/15/2016	Common Stock	3,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	$ 17.88							02/20/2003	02/20/2012	Common Stock	9,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FELTZ CARL JR 975 HOOPER AVENUE TOMS RIVER, NJ 08754	X			

Signatures

/s/ John K. Kelly, Power of Attorney	10/19/2006
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

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