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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Krasowski Janet D Issuer Symbol PROVIDENT FINANCIAL (Check all applicable) SERVICES INC [PFS] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) 239 WASHINGTON STREET 03/04/2014 EVP of The Provident Bank (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting JERSEY CITY, NJ 07302 Person

(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative (Secur	ities Acc	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficial	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)			4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Securities Beneficially Owned	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	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/04/2014		A	3,711 (1)	A	\$0	26,731	D	
Common Stock	03/04/2014		F	1,275	D	\$ 19.1	25,456	D	
Common Stock							8,325 (2)	I	By 401(k)
Common Stock							4,915	I	By ESOP

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Dr.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. Pri Deriv Secui (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options	\$ 10.34					03/04/2013	03/04/2023	Common Stock	10,464 (3)	
Stock Options	\$ 10.4					02/03/2012	02/03/2019	Common Stock	1,813 (3)	
Stock Options	\$ 10.4					02/03/2010	02/03/2019	Common Stock	6,070 (3)	
Stock Options	\$ 12.54					01/29/2009	01/29/2018	Common Stock	4,560 (3)	
Stock Options	\$ 17.94					01/29/2008	01/29/2017	Common Stock	10,116 (3)	
Stock Options	\$ 17.86					07/26/2007	07/26/2016	Common Stock	10,000 (3)	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Krasowski Janet D 239 WASHINGTON STREET JERSEY CITY, NJ 07302			EVP of The Provident Bank					

Signatures

/s/ John F. Kuntz, Pursuant to Power of Attorney 03/05/2014

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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) Performance stock awards granted on February 3, 2011 which vested on March 4, 2014 based on meeting certain performance criteria.
- (2) Reflects transactions not required to be reported pursuant to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- (3) Stock options have fully vested.

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