

JACKSON WILLIAM T
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 JACKSON WILLIAM T

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 830 BERGEN AVENUE
 (Street)

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

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

JERSEY CITY, NJ 07306

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	12/24/2009		G		200	D	\$ 0 87,714
Common Stock	02/03/2010		A		6,000 (5)	A	\$ 0 93,714
Common Stock	12/24/2009		G		100	A	\$ 0 1,100
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(4) Stock options vest at a rate of 20% per year over a period ending on July 17, 2008.

(5) Shares of restricted stock vest on February 3, 2011.

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