

OCEANFIRST FINANCIAL CORP  
Form 8-K  
January 20, 2006

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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the**  
**Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): January 19, 2006**

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**OCEANFIRST FINANCIAL CORP.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**0-27428**  
(Commission File No.)

**22-3412577**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**975 HOOPER AVENUE, TOMS RIVER, NEW JERSEY 08753**

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(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(732)240-4500

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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  - .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 140.13e-4(c))
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**ITEM 2.02 RESULTS OF OPERATION AND FINANCIAL CONDITION**

On January 19, 2006, OceanFirst Financial Corp. (the Company) announced its financial results for the three months and year ended December 31, 2005. For more information, reference is made to the Company's press release dated January 19, 2006, a copy of which is attached to this Report as Exhibit 99.1 and is furnished herewith.

**ITEM 5.02 DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR PRINCIPAL OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; APPOINTMENT OF PRINCIPAL OFFICERS**

On January 19, 2006, the Company announced that the Board of Directors elected Angelo Catania to serve as director of the Company for the unexpired term of the Board position formerly held by James G. Kiley. For more information, reference is made to the Company's press release dated January 19, 2006, a copy of which is attached to this Report as Exhibit 99.1 and is furnished herewith.

**ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS**

On January 19, 2006, the Company announced that the Company's Board of Directors has declared a regular quarterly cash dividend on the Company's outstanding common stock. The cash dividend will be in the amount of \$0.20 per share and will be payable on February 10, 2006 to the stockholders of record at the close of business on January 27, 2006. For more information, reference is made to the Company's press release dated January 19, 2006, a copy of which is attached to this Report as Exhibit 99.1 and is furnished herewith.

**ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS**

(a) Not applicable.

(b) Not applicable.

(c) The following exhibits are filed herewith:

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release dated January 19, 2006

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.

/s/ Michael Fitzpatrick

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Michael Fitzpatrick  
Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer

Dated: January 20, 2006