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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A FELTZ CAF	Symbol OCEA	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol OCEANFIRST FINANCIAL CORP [OCFC]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) 975 HOOPE	(First) (M	(Month/	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/20/2006				_X_ Director Officer (gives) below)	e title Other (specify below)	
	mendment, Date Original 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					
	ER, NJ 08753	\					Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State) (2	Zip) Tal	le I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Code (Instr. 8)	,	l (A) of (D) 4 and (A) or)) 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	04/20/2006		Code V A	Amount 431 (1)	(D)	Price \$ 0	89,778	D	
Common Stock							345 (2)	I	By Award

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)

Do Se	Title of erivative ecurity nstr. 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. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. De Se (In
					Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
O (r	tock ption ight to uy)	\$ 9.61					02/04/1998	02/04/2007	Common Stock	11,656	
O (r	tock ption ight to 1y)	\$ 17.88					02/20/2003	02/20/2012	Common Stock	9,000	
O (r	tock ption ight to	\$ 23.44					05/30/2004	05/30/2013	Common Stock	5,000	
O (r	tock ption ight to	\$ 22.53					05/28/2005	05/28/2014	Common Stock	5,000	
O (r	tock ption ight to	\$ 23.48					02/15/2007(3)	02/15/2016	Common Stock	3,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
FELTZ CARL JR							
975 HOOPER AVENUE	X						
TOMS RIVER, NJ 08753							

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By: /s/ John K. Kelly, Power of Attorney 04/24/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Represents 2006 annual Director's retainer of \$10,000 granted in the form of OceanFirst Financial Corp. stock under the OceanFirst incentive plans.
- (2) Shares previously reported as being held directly are now reported as being held by "Award."
- (3) Vests in five equal annual installments beginning on February 15, 2007.

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