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Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

The Community Financial Corporation (Name of Issuer)

<u>Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share</u> (Title of Class of Securities)

20368X101 (CUSIP Number)

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(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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Page 2 CUSIP No. 20368X101 of 21 **Pages** NAME OF REPORTING **PERSON** 1 Basswood Capital Management, L.L.C. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX 2 (a) IF A MEMBER OF A (b) **GROUP** 3 SEC USE ONLY SOURCE OF FUNDS 4 AF CHECK IF DISCLOSURE OF **LEGAL** 5 PROCEEDINGS IS **REQUIRED PURSUANT TO** ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF 6 **ORGANIZATION** Delaware **SOLE VOTING** 7 **POWER NUMBER** 0 OF **SHARES SHARED BENEFICIALLY VOTING** OWNED₈ **POWER** BY456,209 (see Item 5) **EACH** REPORTING

PERSON WITH

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 0

SHARED DISPOSITIVE 10 POWER 456,209 (see Item 5)

AGGREGATE AMOUNT
11 BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY
EACH REPORTING PERSON
456,209 (see Item 5)

CHECK IF THE
AGGREGATE
AMOUNT IN ROW
(11) EXCLUDES
CERTAIN
SHARES (SEE
INSTRUCTIONS)

PERCENT OF CLASS
REPRESENTED BY
AMOUNT IN ROW (11)
9.81%

TYPE OF REPORTING
PERSON (SEE
INSTRUCTIONS)
IA

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NAME OF REPORTING

1 PERSON

Basswood Partners, L.L.C.

CHECK THE

2 APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A (b)

GROUP

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 SOURCE OF FUNDS

AF

CHECK IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL

5 PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION Delaware

7 SOLE VOTING POWER 0

NUMBER
OF
SHARES
BENEFI&IALLY
OWNED
BY
SHARED
VOTING
POWER
110,101 (see
Item 5)

EACH

REPORTING PERSON SOLE

WITH DISPOSITIVE

POWER

0

SHARED DISPOSITIVE 10 POWER 110,101 (see Item 5)

AGGREGATE AMOUNT
11 BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY
EACH REPORTING PERSON
110,101 (see Item 5)

12 AGGREGATE
AMOUNT IN ROW
(11) EXCLUDES
CERTAIN
SHARES (SEE
INSTRUCTIONS)

CHECK IF THE

PERCENT OF CLASS
REPRESENTED BY
AMOUNT IN ROW (11)
2.37%

TYPE OF REPORTING
PERSON (SEE
INSTRUCTIONS)
OO

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NAME OF REPORTING

PERSON 1

Basswood Enhanced Long

Short GP, LLC

CHECK THE

APPROPRIATE

2 BOX IF A (a)

MEMBER OF A (b)

GROUP

- 3 SEC USE ONLY
- 4 SOURCE OF FUNDS

AF

CHECK IF

DISCLOSURE OF

LEGAL

5 PROCEEDINGS IS

REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF

ORGANIZATION

Delaware

SOLE

7 VOTING POWER

NUMBER 0

OF

SHARES SHARED
BENEFICIALLY VOTING
OWNED
BY POWER
BY 133,998 (see
EACH Item 5)

REPORTING PERSON WITH

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 0

SHARED DISPOSITIVE 10 POWER 133,998 (see Item 5)

AGGREGATE AMOUNT
BENEFICIALLY OWNED
BY EACH REPORTING
PERSON
133,998 (see Item 5)

CHECK IF THE

12 AGGREGATE
AMOUNT IN ROW
(11) EXCLUDES
CERTAIN
SHARES (SEE
INSTRUCTIONS)

PERCENT OF CLASS
REPRESENTED BY
AMOUNT IN ROW (11)
2.88%

TYPE OF REPORTING
PERSON (SEE
INSTRUCTIONS)
OO

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NAME OF REPORTING

1 PERSON

Basswood Financial Fund, LP

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE

BOX IF A (a)

MEMBER OF A (b)

GROUP

- 3 SEC USE ONLY
- 4 SOURCE OF FUNDS WC

CHECK IF

DISCLOSURE OF

LEGAL

5 PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d)

or 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF

ORGANIZATION

Delaware

7 SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER 0

OF

SHARES SHARED
BENEFICIALLY VOTING
OWNED
8 POWER
73,487 (see
EACH Item 5)

REPORTING PERSON WITH 9

SOLE

DISPOSITIVE

POWER

0

SHARED

DISPOSITIVE

10 POWER

73,487 (see Item 5)

AGGREGATE AMOUNT

BENEFICIALLY OWNED

BY EACH REPORTING

PERSON

73,487 (see Item 5)

CHECK IF THE

AGGREGATE

12 AMOUNT IN ROW

(11) EXCLUDES

CERTAIN

SHARES (SEE

INSTRUCTIONS)

PERCENT OF CLASS

13 REPRESENTED BY

AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

1.58%

TYPE OF REPORTING

14 PERSON (SEE

INSTRUCTIONS)

PN

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NAME OF REPORTING

1 **PERSON**

Basswood Financial Fund, Inc.

CHECK THE **APPROPRIATE**

2 BOX IF A (a)

> MEMBER OF A (b)

GROUP

- 3 SEC USE ONLY
- SOURCE OF FUNDS 4 WC

CHECK IF

DISCLOSURE OF

LEGAL

PROCEEDINGS IS 5

REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d)

or 2(e)

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF 6

ORGANIZATION Cayman Islands

SOLE VOTING 7 **POWER** 0

NUMBER

SHARED OF **VOTING SHARES POWER** BENEFI@IALLY 26,435 (see **OWNED** Item 5) BY

EACH

REPORTING PERSON

SOLE

DISPOSITIVE WITH

POWER

0

SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 26,435 (see

Item 5)

AGGREGATE AMOUNT
BENEFICIALLY OWNED
BY EACH REPORTING
PERSON
26,435 (see Item 5)

10

CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN

CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

PERCENT OF CLASS
REPRESENTED BY
AMOUNT IN ROW (11)
0.57%

TYPE OF REPORTING
PERSON (SEE
INSTRUCTIONS)
CO

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NAME OF REPORTING

PERSON 1

Basswood Financial Long

Only Fund, LP

CHECK THE

APPROPRIATE

 $2 \qquad \quad BOX IF A \qquad \quad (a)$

MEMBER OF A (b)

GROUP

- 3 SEC USE ONLY
- 4 SOURCE OF FUNDS

WC

CHECK IF

DISCLOSURE OF

LEGAL

5 PROCEEDINGS IS

REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEMS 2(d)

or 2(e)

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF

ORGANIZATION

Delaware

SOLE

7 VOTING POWER

NUMBER 0

OF

SHARES SHARED
BENEFICIALLY VOTING
OWNED
8 POWER
18,988 (see
EACH Item 5)

REPORTING PERSON WITH

9 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

SHARED DISPOSITIVE 10 POWER 18,988 (see Item 5)

AGGREGATE AMOUNT
BENEFICIALLY OWNED
BY EACH REPORTING
PERSON
18,988 (see Item 5)

CHECK IF THE
AGGREGATE
AMOUNT IN ROW
(11) EXCLUDES
CERTAIN
SHARES (SEE
INSTRUCTIONS)

PERCENT OF CLASS
REPRESENTED BY
AMOUNT IN ROW (11)
0.41%

TYPE OF REPORTING
PERSON (SEE
INSTRUCTIONS)
PN

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1 NAME OF **REPORTING PERSON**

> Basswood Enhanced Long Short Fund, LP

CHECK THE **APPROPRIATE** 2 BOX IF A (a) MEMBER OF (b) A GROUP

- 3 SEC USE ONLY
- SOURCE OF FUNDS 4 WC

CHECK IF

DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL 5 **PROCEEDINGS** IS REQUIRED **PURSUANT** TO ITEMS 2(d) or 2(e)

CITIZENSHIP OR

6 PLACE OF **ORGANIZATION** Delaware

NUMBER OF 7 **SHARES BENEFICIALLY**

OWNED BY**EACH** REPORTING **PERSON**

WITH