

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL HOLDINGS INC
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
JACOBS SY

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
PROVIDENT FINANCIAL HOLDINGS INC [PROV]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
ONE FIFTH AVENUE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/07/2004

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

NEW YORK, NY 10003
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount Price			
Common Stock, par value \$0.01	12/07/2004		M	150 A \$ 20.33	134,425	D ⁽¹⁾	
Common Stock, par value \$0.01	12/07/2004		M	900 A \$ 20.23	135,325	D ⁽¹⁾	

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. 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. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Stock Option	\$ 20.33	12/07/2004		M	150	07/31/2004 11/18/2005	Common Stock	150
Stock Option	\$ 20.23	12/07/2004		M	900	09/24/2004 11/18/2005	Common Stock	900

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
JACOBS SY ONE FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10003		X		

Signatures

/s/ Seymour M. Jacobs
12/08/2004

**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) The amount of securities beneficially owned includes the shares owned by JAM Partners, L.P., JAM Managers, L.L.C. and Seymour M. Jacobs. The reporting person controls the general partner of the entities described.

(2) As of 11/18/04, the reporting person forfeited 14,200 stock options as a result of his resignation from the Board of Directors.

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