

BLAKE DONALD M
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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 *
BLAKE DONALD M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
NEW YORK COMMUNITY BANCORP INC [NYB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
615 MERRICK AVENUE
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/05/2008

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

WESTBURY, NY 11590
(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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | | Code V Amount (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 12/05/2008 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | 115,000 D 12.8652 | 207,595 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 78,368 | I | By Spouse |
| Common Stock | | | | | 6,192 | I | By Keogh |

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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. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 13.85 | | | | | 07/24/2003 ⁽³⁾ 07/24/2012 | Common Stock | 15,111 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| BLAKE DONALD M 615 MERRICK AVENUE WESTBURY, NY 11590 | X | | | |

Signatures

By: /s/ Ilene A. Angarola, Power of Attorney 12/09/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Represents the sale of shares to satisfy, in its entirety, a margin loan against which such shares were pledged as collateral. Mr. Blake continues to beneficially own 292,155 shares of the Company's common stock, none of which are pledged as collateral to secure indebtedness.

(2) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$12.80 to \$12.95, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to New York Community Bancorp, Inc., any security holder of New York Community Bancorp, Inc. or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote.

(3) Options granted pursuant to the New York Community Bancorp, Inc. 1997 Stock Option Plan are fully vested and exercisable as of July 24, 2005.

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