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PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES INC

Form 8-K April 28, 2006

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 26, 2006

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (201) 333-1000

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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- [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Provident Financial Services, Inc. (the "Company") reported by a news release dated April 27, 2006 that J. Martin Comey, whose term expired as of the Annual Meeting date, and David Leff, whose term would have expired in 2007, retired from the Company's Board of Directors in accordance with the Company's retirement policy for directors. As a result of these retirements, the size of the Company's Board of Directors was reduced from 15 to 13 members. Both Mr. Comey and Mr. Leff have been appointed as Directors Emeritus of The Provident Bank, the Company's wholly owned subsidiary. A copy of the news release, which also reports on the results of the Company's Annual Meeting of Stockholders held on April 26, 2006 is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is being furnished to the SEC and shall not be deemed "filed" for any purpose.

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

The Company issued a news release reporting on the results of its Annual Meeting of Stockholders held on April 26, 2006. A copy of the news release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report and is being furnished to the SEC and shall not be deemed "filed" for any purpose.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (a) Financial Statements of Businesses Acquired. Not applicable.
- (b) Pro Forma Financial Information. Not applicable.
- (c) Shell Company Transactions. Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description.

99.1 New release dated April 27, 2006 reporting on the results of the Company's Annual Meeting of Stockholders and the retirement of two directors.

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.

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.

DATE: April 27, 2006 By: /s/ Paul M. Pantozzi

Paul M. Pantozzi

Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

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