

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES INC  
Form 8-K  
December 23, 2011

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): December 21, 2011

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.  
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

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| Delaware<br>(State or Other Jurisdiction<br>of Incorporation) | 001-31566<br>(Commission File No.) | 42-1547151<br>(I.R.S. Employer<br>Identification No.) |
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| 239 Washington Street, Jersey City, New Jersey<br>(Address of Principal Executive Offices) | 07302<br>(Zip Code) |
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 590-9200 (732)

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):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))



Item 5.03 Amendments to Articles of Incorporation or By-Laws; Change in Fiscal Year.

On December 21, 2011, the Board of Directors of the Company approved amendments to the Company's Amended and Restated By-Laws. The amendments, which are effective immediately (i) change the age for a director or director nominee to be eligible for election or appointment from age 72 to 73; and (ii) correct a cross reference contained in Article III, Section 3.

The text of the amendments to the Company's Amended and Restated By-Laws is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K

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  |
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| 99.1        | Text of amendments to the Provident Financial Services, Inc. Amended and Restated By-Laws. |

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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: December 23, 2011

By: / s /        C h r i s t o p h e r  
Martin  
Christopher Martin  
Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer

EXHIBIT INDEX

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