

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL HOLDINGS INC

Form 4

February 27, 2014

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Wertz Gwendolyn

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)  
3756 CENTRAL AVENUE  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/25/2014

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Senior Vice President

RIVERSIDE, CA 92506

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired<br>(A) or Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Common<br>Stock, Par<br>Value \$0.01  | 02/25/2014                              |                                                             | A                                    | 15,000                                                                     | A \$ 0 15,000 <sup>(1)</sup>                                                                                       | D                                                                    |                                         |

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)**

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| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |     | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                    |                 |                                     |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|-----|---------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
|                                                     |                                                                       |                                         |                                                             | Code                                    | V                                                                                                            | (A)                                                            | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable                                                 | Expiration<br>Date | Title           | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares |
| Option to<br>Purchase<br>Common<br>Stock            | \$ 15.14                                                              | 02/25/2014                              |                                                             | A                                       |                                                                                                              | 20,000                                                         |     | 02/25/2016                                                          | 02/25/2024         | Common<br>Stock | 20,000                              |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                | Relationships                    |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
|                                                               | Director 10% Owner Officer Other |
| Wertz Gwendolyn<br>3756 CENTRAL AVENUE<br>RIVERSIDE, CA 92506 | Senior Vice President            |

## Signatures

/s/Gwendolyn L.  
Wertz 02/25/2014

\_\_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 direct ownership of 15,000 shares is the result of the restricted stock award granted on February 25, 2014 from the 2006 Equity Incentive Plan, where fifty percent vests on 02/25/2016 and the remaining fifty percent vests on 02/25/2018.
- (2) Ms. Wertz was granted 20,000 options to acquire 20,000 shares of Common Stock under Provident's 2006 Equity Incentive Plan. Fifty percent of the grant vests on 02/25/2016 and the remaining fifty percent vests on 02/25/2018.

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