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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **BARR JOSEPH**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

Symbol

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL HOLDINGS INC [PROV]

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last)

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Instr. 8)

X_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

3756 CENTRAL AVENUE

(Month/Day/Year) 02/06/2007

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Instr. 4)

Person

below)

RIVERSIDE, CA 92506

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities 3. TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (I)

(Instr. 4)

(A) or

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Following

Code V Amount (D) Price

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 Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any

5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.		Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option to Purchase	\$ 28.31	02/06/2007		A		10,300		02/06/2008	02/06/2017	Common Stock	10,300

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BARR JOSEPH
3756 CENTRAL AVENUE X
RIVERSIDE, CA 92506

Signatures

/s/Joseph P. Barr 02/07/2007

**Signature of Person Date

Reporting Person

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).
- Mr. Barr has previously been granted 50,500 options to acquire 50,500 shares of common stock under Provident's 1996 Stock Option
 Plan and 2003 Stock Option Plan. The grant(s) vest ratably over a five-year period and expire in ten years. As a result of the activity described in this notice, Mr. Barr has been granted 10,300 options to acquire 10,300 shares of common stock under Provident's 2006 Equity Incentive Plan. The grant vests ratably over a five-year period and expires in ten years.

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