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

SCHEDULE 13G Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. 1)

OceanFirst Financial Corp. (Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, \$0.01 par value (Title of Class of Securities)

675234108

(CUSIP Number)

December 31, 2017

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

Rule 13d-1(b)

ý Rule 13d-1(c)

Rule 13d-1(d)

* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

| 1 | NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY) |
|---|--|
| | EJF Capital LLC |
| 2 | CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a) (b) SEC USE ONLY |
| 3 | SEC USE ONLY |
| 4 | CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION |
| | Delaware |
| NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH | SOLE VOTING POWER ⁵ 0 |
| | SHARED VOTING POWER |
| | SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER ⁷ 0 |
| | SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER ⁸ 0 |
| 9 | AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON |
| | 0 |
| 10 | CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) |
| 11 | PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9) 0% |

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

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| 1 | NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY) |
|---|--|
| | Emanuel J. Friedman |
| 2 | CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a) (b) |
| 3 | SEC USE ONLY |
| 4 | CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION |
| | United States |
| NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH | SOLE VOTING POWER 50 |
| | SHARED VOTING POWER ⁶ 0 |
| | SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 7 ₀ |
| | SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER ⁸ 0 |
| 9 | AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON |
| | 0 |
| 10 | CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) |
| 11 | PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9) |
| | 0% |
| 12 | TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) |

| 1 | NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY) |
|--------------------------|--|
| | EJF Financial Services Fund, LP |
| 2 | CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a) (b) |
| 3 | SEC USE ONLY |
| 4 | CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION |
| • | Delaware |
| | SOLE VOTING POWER |
| | 5 ₀ |
| NUMBER OF SHARES | SHARED VOTING POWER |
| BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY | |
| EACH REPORTING | SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 7 0 |
| PERSON WITH | SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER |
| 9 | AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON |
| | 0 |
| 10 | CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) |
| 11 | PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9) |
| | 0% |
| 12 | TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) |
| | PN |

| 1 | NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY) |
|---|--|
| | EJF Financial Services GP, LLC |
| 2 | CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a) (b) SEC USE ONLY |
| 3 | SEC USE UNL I |
| 4 | CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION |
| | Delaware |
| NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH | SOLE VOTING POWER 50 |
| | SHARED VOTING POWER |
| | SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 7 ₀ |
| | SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 8_0 |
| 9 | AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON |
| | 0 |
| 10 | CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) |
| 11 | PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9) |
| | 0% |
| 12 | TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS) |
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| Item 1. (a) | Nar | ne of Issuer |
|---|--|---|
| OceanFirst Financial | Corp. | |
| Item 1. (b) | Ado | lress of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices |
| 975 Hooper Avenue Toms River, NJ 0875 | 3 | |
| Item 2. | (a) | Name of Person Filing |
| This Amendment No. | 1 to Sch | edule 13G is being filed on behalf of the following persons (the "Reporting Persons")*: |
| | nan; vices Fur vices GP A is a co | y, LLC. |
| | - | behalf of each of them. |
| Item 2. | (b) | Address of Principal Business Office or, if None, Residence |
| The address of the pri | ncipal bu | siness office of each Reporting Person is: |
| 2107 Wilson Bouleva Suite 410 Arlington, VA 22201 | rd | |
| Item 2. | (c) | Citizenship |
| See Item 4 of the attac | ched cov | er pages. |
| Item 2. | (d) | Title of Class of Securities |
| Common Stock, \$0.02 | l par valı | ae ("Common Stock") |
| Item 2. | (e) | CUSIP Number |
| 675234108 | | |
| Item 3. Person Filing is a: | If This | Statement is Filed Pursuant to Rule 13d-1(b), or 13d-2(b) or (c), Check Whether the |
| Not Applicable. | | |
| Item 4. | | Ownership |
| (a) Amount beneficial owned: | ly | |

See Item 9 of the attached cover pages. (b) Percent of class: See Item 11 of the attached cover pages. Number of shares (c) as to which such person has: Sole power to vote or to (i) direct the vote: See Item 5 of the attached cover pages. Shared power to (ii) vote or to direct the vote: See Item 6 of the attached cover pages. Sole power to dispose (iii) or to direct the disposition: See Item 7 of the attached cover pages. Shared (iv) power to dispose or

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to direct the disposition:

See Item 8 of the attached cover pages.

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof each Reporting Person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following [X].

| Item 6. | Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person |
|----------------------------------|--|
| Not Applicable. | |
| Item 7. Reported on by the Pa | Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being rent Holding Company |
| Not Applicable. | |
| Item 8. | Identification and Classification of Members of the Group |
| Not Applicable. | |
| Item 9. | Notice of Dissolution of Group |
| Not Applicable. | |
| Item 10. | Certification |
| By signing below I ce | rtify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were no |

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: February 14, 2018

EJF CAPITAL LLC

By:/s/ Neal J. Wilson Name: Neal J. Wilson Title: Chief Operating Officer

EMANUEL J. FRIEDMAN

By:/s/ Emanuel J. Friedman Name: Emanuel J. Friedman

EJF FINANCIAL SERVICES FUND, LP

By: EJF FINANCIAL SERVICES Its: GP, LLC General Partner

By: EJF CAPITAL LLC Its: Sole Member

By:/s/ Neal J. Wilson Name: Neal J. Wilson Title: Chief Operating Officer

EJF FINANCIAL FINANCIAL SERVICES GP, LLC

By:EJF CAPITAL LLC Its: Sole Member

By:/s/ Neal J. Wilson Name: Neal J. Wilson Title: Chief Operating Officer

EXHIBIT A

The undersigned, EJF Capital LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, Emanuel J. Friedman, EJF Financial Services Fund, LP, a Delaware limited partnership, and EJF Financial Services GP, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, hereby agree and acknowledge that the information required by this Amendment No. 1 to Schedule 13G, to which this Agreement is attached as an exhibit, is filed on behalf of each of them. The undersigned further agree that any amendments or supplements thereto shall also be filed on behalf of each of them.

Dated: February 14, 2018

EJF CAPITAL LLC

By:/s/ Neal J. Wilson Name: Neal J. Wilson Title: Chief Operating Officer

EMANUEL J. FRIEDMAN

By:/s/ Emanuel J. Friedman Name: Emanuel J. Friedman

EJF FINANCIAL SERVICES FUND, LP

By: EJF FINANCIAL SERVICES Its: GP, LLC General Partner

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By:/s/ Neal J. Wilson Name: Neal J. Wilson Title: Chief Operating Officer

EJF FINANCIAL FINANCIAL SERVICES GP, LLC

By:EJF CAPITAL LLC Its: Sole Member

By:/s/ Neal J. Wilson Name: Neal J. Wilson Title: Chief Operating Officer