

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES INC  
Form 8-K  
August 15, 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): August 11, 2011**

**PROVIDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC.**

**(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)**

**Delaware**  
**(State or Other Jurisdiction**  
  
**of Incorporation)**

**001-31566**  
**(Commission**  
  
**File No.)**

**42-1547151**  
**(I.R.S. Employer**  
  
**Identification No.)**

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239 Washington Street, Jersey City, New Jersey  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

07302  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (732) 590-9200

**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)
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- .. 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 8.01 Other Events.**

On August 11, 2011, The Provident Bank, a wholly owned subsidiary of Provident Financial Services, Inc. (the Company ) issued a press release announcing that The Provident Bank completed its acquisition of Beacon Trust Company and Beacon Global Asset Management, Inc. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

**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        | Press release issued by the Company s wholly owned subsidiary, The Provident Bank on August 11, 2011 announcing that The Provident Bank completed its acquisition of Beacon Trust Company and Beacon Global Asset Management, Inc. |

**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: August 15, 2011

By: /s/ Christopher Martin  
Christopher Martin  
Chairman, President and  
Chief Executive Officer

**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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