

ITEM DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR CERTAIN OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS;
5.02 APPOINTMENT OF CERTAIN OFFICERS; COMPENSATORY ARRANGEMENTS OF CERTAIN
OFFICERS

On June 27, 2018, Kim Guadagno, Esq. was appointed to the Registrant's Board of Directors and the Board of Directors of OceanFirst Bank N.A., its banking subsidiary. Guadagno was selected by the Registrant's Leadership Committee, was appointed to fill the vacancies created by the passing of Director Joseph Burke, and will stand for re-election at the 2019 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.

ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS

On June 28, 2018, the Registrant issued a press release announcing the above appointment. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) EXHIBITS

99.1 Press release announcing the appointment of Kim Guadagno, Esq. June 28, 2018

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.

OCEANFIRST FINANCIAL CORP.

Dated: June 28, 2018 /s/ Steven J. Tsimbinos

Steven J. Tsimbinos

Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary