
**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC**

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): November 29, 2022

OCEANFIRST FINANCIAL CORP.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction of
incorporation or organization)

001-11713
(Commission
File No.)

22-3412577
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

110 West Front Street, Red Bank, New Jersey 07701
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(732)240-4500
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- 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))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading symbol	Name of each exchange in which registered
Common stock, \$0.01 par value per share	OCFC	NASDAQ
Depository Shares (each representing a 1/40th interest in a share of 7.0% Series A Non-Cumulative, perpetual preferred stock)	OCFCP	NASDAQ

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR 230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR 240.12b-2).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

ITEM 8.01 Other Events.

During 2021, OceanFirst Financial Corp. (the “Company”) made a minority, non-controlling equity investment of \$10.0 million in Auxilior Capital Partners, Inc., a nationwide specialty commercial equipment finance company. On November 29, 2022, the Company invested an additional \$2.8 million as part of a new round of financing by the Company and other investors. This new round of financing resulted in an unrealized gain of \$17.5 million on the prior investments, which the Company will report as income in the quarter ending December 31, 2022.

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: November 29, 2022

/s/ Steven J. Tsimbinos

Steven J. Tsimbinos

Executive Vice President, General Counsel, and Corporate Secretary