

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL HOLDINGS INC

Form 4

February 27, 2006

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BRUNNER LILIAN

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
PROVIDENT FINANCIAL
HOLDINGS INC [PROV]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
3756 CENTRAL AVENUE
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/24/2006

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
SVP Chief Info. Officer

RIVERSIDE, CA 92506

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock, par value \$0.01	02/24/2006		M	11,250 A \$ 9.15	26,250	D	

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)**

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Option to Purchase Common Stock	\$ 9.15	02/24/2006		M	11,250	01/20/1999 01/20/2008	Common Stock	11,250

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
BRUNNER LILIAN 3756 CENTRAL AVENUE RIVERSIDE, CA 92506	SVP Chief Info. Officer

Signatures

/s/Lilian
Brunner 02/24/2006
 **Signature of 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).

Ms. Brunner has 12,000 remaining options to acquire 12,000 shares of common stock under Provident's 1996 Stock Option Plan and (1) 14,000 options to acquire 14,000 shares of common stock under Provident's 2003 Stock Option Plan. The grants vest ratably over a five year period and expire in ten years.

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