

NEW YORK COMMUNITY BANCORP INC  
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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**FICALORA JOSEPH R**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**NEW YORK COMMUNITY BANCORP INC [NYB]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**615 MERRICK AVENUE**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**05/19/2008**

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**Chairman, President & CEO**

**WESTBURY, NY 11590**  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	05/20/2008		J(1)	V 4,300 A	\$ 19.59 341,952	I	By 401(k)
Common Stock	05/20/2008		J(1)	V 4,066 A	\$ 19.59 322,646	I	By ESOP
Common Stock	05/19/2008		J(1)	V 7,007 A	\$ 19.67 558,051	I	By SERP
Common Stock					2,220,190	D	
Common Stock					220,579	I	By Ficalora Family Foundation

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Common Stock	30,000	I	By Stock Award <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock	75,000	I	By Stock Award II <sup>(3)</sup>

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)

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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.5					12/21/2002 <sup>(4)</sup>	12/21/2011	Common Stock	177,777
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 15.41					07/24/2002 <sup>(5)</sup>	01/24/2012	Common Stock	1,262,511
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.85					07/24/2003 <sup>(6)</sup>	07/24/2012	Common Stock	266,667
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.06					01/21/2004 <sup>(7)</sup>	01/21/2013	Common Stock	248,888
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.06					12/30/2005 <sup>(8)</sup>	01/21/2013	Common Stock	124,445

