

CANGEMI THOMAS R  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
CANGEMI THOMAS 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)  
11/21/2008

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Sr. EVP & CFO

WESTBURY, NY 11590

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	11/21/2008		S <sup>(1)</sup>	V	307,700	D	
					\$ 10.7711		
Common Stock					408,931	D	By Stock Award II <sup>(4)</sup>
Common Stock					38,000	I	
Common Stock					16,000	I	By Stock Award <sup>(5)</sup>
Common Stock					1,941	I	By Spouse
					58,394	I	By IRA

Common  
Stock

Common Stock 30,792 I By ESOP

Common Stock 82,644 I By 401(k)

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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CANGEMI THOMAS R 615 MERRICK AVENUE WESTBURY, NY 11590			Sr. EVP & CFO	

## Signatures

By: /s/ Ilene A. Angarola, Power of Attorney 11/25/2008

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## 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).

Represents the sale of shares of common stock pledged as collateral against a margin loan and sold to reduce the amount of the margin loan and the risk of a margin call. Mr. Cangemi continues to beneficially own, or have rights under various plans to, 636,702 shares of the Company's common stock, including shares that remain pledged to secure \$1.79 million of margin indebtedness.

(1) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$10.50 to \$11.25, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to New York Community Bancorp, Inc., any security holder of New York Community Bancorp, Inc. or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote.

(2) All shares held directly are held jointly with Mr. Cangemi's wife.

(3) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the New York Community Bancorp, Inc. 2006 Stock Incentive Plan vest in five equal annual installments commencing on April 4, 2009.

(4) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the New York Community Bancorp, Inc. 2006 Stock Incentive Plan will vest on April 2, 2009.

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