Dahya Hanif Form 4 March 11, 2009

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Dahya Hanif

(First) (Middle)

(Zip)

615 MERRICK AVENUE

(Street)

(State)

WESTBURY, NY 11590

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Issuer

Symbol **NEW YORK COMMUNITY**

BANCORP INC [NYB] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

03/10/2009 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Month/Day/Year)

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_X__ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

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 on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/10/2009		P	3,750	A	\$ 8.78	18,750	I	By Spouse
Common Stock	03/10/2009		P	6,250	A	\$ 8.79	25,000	I	By Spouse
Common Stock							10,000	I	By Stock Award (1)
Common Stock							5,000	D	
Common Stock							10,000	I	By Stock Award II

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	isable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	orNumber	Expiration Da	ate	Amou	int of	Derivative	J
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	,
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securi	ities	(Instr. 5)]
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					of (D)						(
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					4, and 5)						
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

	Relationships
Reporting Owner Name / Address	•

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Dahya Hanif

615 MERRICK AVENUE X

WESTBURY, NY 11590

Signatures

By: /s/ Ilene A. Angarola, Power of Attorney 03/11/2009

**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).
- (1) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the New York Community Bancorp, Inc. 2006 Stock Incentive Plan will vest in two equal annual installments commencing on April 20, 2009.
- (2) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the New York Community Bancorp, Inc. 2006 Stock Incentive Plan will vest in five equal annual installments commencing on January 26, 2010.

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