SEIDMAN LAWRENCE B
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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 *
SEIDMAN LAWRENCE B

(Last) (First) (Middle)

LANIDEX CENTER, 100 MISTY LANE P O BOX 5430

(Street)

PARSIPPANY, NJ 07054

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
CENTER BANCORP INC [CNBC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/29/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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

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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	03/29/2012		P		1,270	A	$ 10.03	3,692,952	I	See Footnote (1)
Common Stock								91,347.6786	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)

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)
				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
SEIDMAN LAWRENCE B LANIDEX CENTER 100 MISTY LANE P O BOX 5430 PARSIPPANY, NJ 07054	X	X		

Signatures

/s/ Joseph D. Gangemi, Attorney-in-Fact	03/30/2012
**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)	Seidman & Associates, L.L.C. (706,920), Seidman Investment Partnership, L.P. (640,333), Seidman Investment Partnership II, L.P. (652,188), LSBK06-08, LLC. (377,797), Broad Park Investors, L.L.C. (506,527), 2514 Multi (109,546), CBPS (388,871), Chewey Gooey Cookies, L.P. (272,415), Reese Trust (3,970), Brody Trust (3,970), Jacob Trust (3,970), LBS SEP-IRA (12,545), Brent Wolmer (13,900)

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