BURKE ANTHONY E

Form 4 January 23, 2003

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(Pr	int or Type Responses)			
1.	Name and Address of Re	porting Person*		
Bur	ke, Anthony E.			
	(Last)	(First)		(Middle)
615	Merrick Avenue			
		(Street)		
Wes	tbury, NY 11590			
	(City)	(State)		(Zip)
2.	Issuer Name and Ticker	or Trading Symbol N	Jew York Communit	y Bancorp, Inc.
		(NYB)	
3.	I.R.S. Identification	Number of Reporting P	Person, if an ent	ity (Voluntary)
4.	Statement for Month/Da	ay/Year January 21, 2	2003	
5.	If Amendment, Date of	Original (Month/Day/Y		
6.	Relationship of Report	ing Person(s) to Issu	er (Check all ap	plicable)
	X Director X Of (g Chief Operating Office	give title below)	_ 10% Owner re Vice President	(specify below)
7.	Individual or Joint/Gr (Check Applicable Line	coup Filing		

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. e f		Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/ Day/ Year)	4. Trans tion (Inst	ac- Code
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Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$28.54	01	/21/2003		A	

cisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/ Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		of Deriv- ative Secur- ity (Instr.	ve sur-	Deriv- ative Secur- ities Bene- ficially	ship Form of De- rivative Security Direct	
_	Expira- tion Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	- 5)		Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	(D) or Indirect
01/21/2004	01/21/2013	Common Stock	210,000			210,000	 D

Explanation of Responses:

SEE ATTACHED STATEMENT

/s/ Ilene A. Angarola 1/22/03
-----**Signature of Reporting Person Date

By: Ilene A. Angarola, Power of Attorney

For: Anthony E. Burke

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New York Community Bancorp, Inc. (NYB)

Burke, Anthony E. 615 Merrick Avenue Westbury, New York 11590 Form 4 - January 21, 2003

Explanation of responses:

(1) Non-Qualified Stock Options granted pursuant to the New York Community Bancorp, Inc. 1997 Stock Option Plan vest in three equal annual installments commencing on January 21, 2004.

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