KUENSTNER DEBORAH F

Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

KUENSTNER DEBORAH F Sy BO			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BOSTON PRIVATE FINANCIAL HOLDINGS INC [BPFH]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	, , , ,	(3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/14/2009			X Director Officer (give below)		Owner er (specify			
			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting			
								Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I	- Non-Do	erivative (Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution I any (Month/Da	Date, if Tr Co ay/Year) (In	ransaction ode nstr. 8)	4. Securit n(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose	d of (D)	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	08/14/2009			A	1,981	A	\$ 5.678	60,239	D		

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,		ate	Secur	ınt of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
reporting owner runner runners	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
KUENSTNER DEBORAH F 114 FARLOW ROAD NEWTON, MA 02458	X					

Signatures

/s/ Margaret W. Chambers, attorney-in-fact for Ms.

Kuenstner

08/20/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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