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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **Deutsch Clayton**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

BOSTON PRIVATE FINANCIAL HOLDINGS INC [BPFH]

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director X_ Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

TEN POST OFFICE SQUARE

(First)

(Street)

12/27/2010

(Month/Day/Year)

Symbol

below) CEO and President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

3.

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

BOSTON, MA 02109

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any

(Month/Day/Year)

Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(9-02)

(A) Amount (D)

4. Securities Acquired

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Price

Common Stock

12/27/2010

Code V 55,173 D (1)

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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)

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1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transactio	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title at Amount of		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(monda, Day, Teal)	(Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			Underlyin Securities (Instr. 3 a	ng s	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Deutsch Clayton TEN POST OFFICE SQUARE BOSTON, MA 02109	X		CEO and President				

Signatures

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

Deutsch

12/29/2010

**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) The reported disposition reflects a pro rata forfeiture based on the portion of the performance period before the start of the reporting person's employment with the issuer.

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