BOSTON PRIVATE FINANCIAL HOLDINGS INC Form 8-K March 20, 2008

# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

**WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549** 

#### FORM 8-K

### **CURRENT REPORT**

# PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): March 19, 2008

# **Boston Private Financial Holdings, Inc.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Massachusetts (State or other 0-17089 (Commission File Number) 04-2976299 (IRS Employer Identification Number)

jurisdiction of incorporation)

Ten Post Office Square, Boston, Massachusetts 02109

(Address of principal executive offices)

(617) 912-1900

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the fling obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- " Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 8.01 Other Events

On March 19, 2008 Boston Private Financial Holdings, Inc. (the Company) announced a plan whereby it will restructure the equity of its affiliate, Westfield Capital Management Company, LLC. The full text of the press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated into this Item 8.01 by reference in its entirety.

#### **Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

- (d) Exhibits.
  - 99.1 Press Release dated March 19, 2008

#### **SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunder duly authorized.

BOSTON PRIVATE FINANCIAL HOLDINGS, INC.

By: /s/ David J. Kaye

Name: David J. Kaye

Title: Executive Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer

Date: March 19, 2008