

RILEY KEVIN P
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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 *
RILEY KEVIN P

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP INC [BHLB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
24 NORTH STREET

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
01/30/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP, CFO and Treasurer

PITTSFIELD, MA 01201

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

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	01/30/2012		F	1,408 D \$ 22.91	2,594 ⁽⁵⁾	D	
Common Stock	01/30/2012		A	2,728 A \$ 0	2,728	I	By Stock Award VI ⁽⁴⁾
Common Stock					0 ⁽⁵⁾	I	By Stock Award III ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock					2,116 ⁽⁵⁾	I	By Stock Award IV ⁽²⁾

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) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2003 Equity Compensation Plan vest in three equal annual installments commencing on January 30, 2010.
- (2) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2008 Equity Compensation Plan vest in three equal annual installments commencing on January 30, 2011.
- (3) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2003 Equity Compensation Plan vest in three equal annual installments commencing on January 30, 2012.
- (4) Stock Awards granted pursuant to the Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. 2011 Equity Compensation Plan vest in three equal annual installments commencing on January 30, 2013.
- (5) Since the reporting person's last report, 708 shares previously held through Stock Award III, 2,115 shares previously held through Stock Award IV and 1,178 shares previously held through Stock Award V have vested and are now owned directly.
- (6) This form reflects increases in beneficial ownership resulting from exempt acquisitions pursuant to Rule 16b-3(c).

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