

BROOKLINE BANCORP INC  
Form 8-K  
October 25, 2013

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF  
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 23, 2013**

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**BROOKLINE BANCORP, INC.**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**0-23695**  
(Commission File Number)

**04-3402944**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**131 Clarendon Street**  
**Boston, Massachusetts**  
(Address of principal executive office)

**02117**  
(Zip Code)

**(617) 425-4600**  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))



**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

(d) On October 23, 2013, the Board of Directors of Brookline Bancorp, Inc. approved an increase in the size of the Board of Directors to thirteen members, and appointed Margaret Boles Fitzgerald as a director to fill the vacancy created by that action. Ms. Fitzgerald currently serves as the Director of Corporate and Foundation Relations at Boston Health Care for the Homeless Program.

Ms. Fitzgerald's term of office will expire at the 2014 annual meeting of Brookline's shareholders or until her successor has been duly elected and qualified.

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

The following exhibits are furnished as part of this report:

Exhibit No.   Description

99.1            Press Release – October 25, 2013