

BROOKLINE BANCORP INC
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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 *
 CHAPMAN RICHARD P JR

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 160 WASHINGTON STREET
 (Street)

BROOKLINE, MA 02445

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 BROOKLINE BANCORP INC
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3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 04/06/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Chief Executive Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common stock	04/06/2009		M	74,911	A \$ 9.9	849,981	D
Common stock	04/06/2009		F	74,237	D \$ 9.99	775,744	D
Common stock						201,200	I Spouse

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount
Stock option	\$ 9.9	04/06/2009		M		03/24/2009	04/19/2009	Common stock	74,
Stock option	\$ 9.99	04/06/2009		A	74,237	04/06/2009	04/19/2009	Common stock	74,
Stock option	\$ 4.944					04/19/2004	04/19/2009	Common stock	20,
Stock option	\$ 9.95					05/29/2008	04/19/2009	Common stock	37,
Stock option	\$ 10.69					07/24/2007	04/19/2009	Common stock	46,
Stock option	\$ 15.02					01/02/2005	12/19/2013	Common stock	300

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CHAPMAN RICHARD P JR 160 WASHINGTON STREET BROOKLINE, MA 02445	X		Chief Executive Officer	

Signatures

Paul R. Bechet, Power of Attorney
04/06/2009

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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