

BOSTON PRIVATE FINANCIAL HOLDINGS INC

Form 8-K

April 05, 2011

UNITED STATES
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 31, 2011

Boston Private Financial Holdings, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Massachusetts
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

0-17089
(Commission

File Number)

04-2976299
(IRS Employer

Identification Number)

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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 filing 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 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure

On March 31, 2011, Boston Private Bank & Trust Company (the Bank), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Boston Private Financial Holdings, Inc. (Boston Private), received regulatory approval from the FDIC to merge, as the surviving bank, with Boston Private's three other bank subsidiaries. The Bank received approval from the Massachusetts Commissioner of Banks for the merger on March 28, 2011. The bank merger is expected to close in the second quarter of 2011 and, as previously announced, Boston Private has already begun implementing a 12-month integration plan.

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K (including the exhibit hereto) is furnished pursuant to Item 7 of Form 8-K and shall not be deemed to be filed for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing of Boston Private under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. Furthermore, the furnishing of this Current Report on Form 8-K is not intended to constitute a determination by Boston Private that the information contained herein (including the exhibits hereto) is material or that the dissemination of such information is required by Regulation FD.

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: Chief Financial Officer

Date: April 5, 2011