CHAPMAN RICHARD P JR

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Add CHAPMAN R	•	_	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			BROOKLINE BANCORP INC [brkl]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	_X_ Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify		
160 WASHIN	GTON STR	REET	03/24/2009	below) below) Chief Executive Officer		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
BROOKLINE	., MA 02445	5	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	iired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	ies Acquired sposed of (D) 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common stock	03/24/2009		M	25,000	A	\$ 4.944	775,402	D	
Common stock	03/24/2009		M	74,579	A	\$ 9.29	849,981	D	
Common stock	03/24/2009		F	69,984	D	\$ 9.9	779,997	D	
Common stock							201,200	I	Spouse

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

1. Titl Deriva Securi (Instr.	ative Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo Num Share
Stock optio	\$ 4 944	03/24/2009		M		25,000	04/19/2004	04/19/2009	Common stock	25,
Stock	\$ 9 29	03/24/2009		M		74,579	03/19/2009	04/19/2009	Common stock	74,
Stock optio	8911	03/24/2009		A	69,984		03/24/2009	04/19/2009	Common stock	69,
Stock	\$ 10 1						05/29/2008	04/19/2009	Common stock	37,
Stock	\$ 10.69						07/24/2007	04/19/2009	Common stock	46,
Stock	\$ 15 02						01/02/2005	12/19/2013	Common stock	300

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Troporting of their remarks	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

03/25/2009

**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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