

PECK CHARLES H  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
PECK CHARLES H

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
BROOKLINE BANCORP INC  
[brkl]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/10/2009

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Executive vice president

BROOKLINE, MA 02447-0469  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code V Amount (D) Price (A) or (D)			
Common stock	03/10/2009		S	30,000 D \$ 8.44	417,625 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	
Common stock					10,000	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. 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	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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Part of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)
					Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V (A) (D)			
Stock option	\$ 9.85					06/02/2008 04/19/2009	Common stock	25,378
Stock option	\$ 9.19					01/11/2008 04/19/2009	Common stock	52,207
Stock option	\$ 10.87					07/25/2007 04/19/2009	Common stock	31,839
Stock option	\$ 10.36					10/22/2007 04/19/2009	Common stock	28,717
Stock option	\$ 15.02					01/02/2005 12/19/2013	Common stock	175,000

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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160 WASHINGTON STREET  
BROOKLINE, MA 02447-0469

Executive vice president

## Signatures

Paul R. Bechet, Power of Attorney

03/11/2009

**\*\*Signature of Reporting Person** **Date**

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Includes 1,199 shares awarded effective December 31, 2008 through the ESOP not required to be reported pursuant to Section 16 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934.

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