

BROOKLINE BANCORP INC  
Form 8-K  
December 09, 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): **December 9, 2011**

**Brookline Bancorp, Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission file number: **0-23695**

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

**04-3402944**  
(I.R.S. employer  
identification no.)

**160 Washington Street, Brookline, Massachusetts 02447-0469**  
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

**(617) 730-3500**  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On December 9, 2011, Brookline Bancorp, Inc. announced that it had received all regulatory approvals required to complete its proposed acquisition of Bancorp Rhode Island, Inc. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) *Exhibits*

| <b>Exhibit No.</b> | <b>Description</b>  |
|--------------------|---|
| 99.1               | Press Release of Brookline Bancorp, Inc. dated December 9, 2011 |

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: December 9, 2011

**BROOKLINE BANCORP, INC.**

By: /S/ Michael W. McCurdy  
Michael W. McCurdy  
General Counsel

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