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See Instruction 1(b).

Common

Common

Stock

Stock

01/15/2013

01/28/2013

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **Chambers Margaret** Issuer Symbol **BOSTON PRIVATE FINANCIAL** (Check all applicable) HOLDINGS INC [BPFH] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) TEN POST OFFICE SQUARE 01/15/2013 EVP, General Counsel (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting **BOSTON, MA 02109** Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Owned Following Direct (D) Ownership (Instr. 8) Reported or Indirect (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) (I) or (Instr. 3 and 4) (Instr. 4)

Code V

M

S

Amount

23.519

11,951

(1)

(D)

A

D

Price

\$ 9.34

9.315

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

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120,031.8789

119,840.8789

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of onDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Shares	\$ 7.94	01/15/2013		M	23,519	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	23,519

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Chambers Margaret

TEN POST OFFICE SQUARE EVP, General Counsel

BOSTON, MA 02109

Signatures

/s/ Margaret W. O1/29/2013 Chambers

**Signature of Reporting 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) Automatic sale to cover taxes upon vesting of 2010 performance shares.
- (2) Performance shares vest based on the Company's performance for the period January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2012.

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