

BANKATLANTIC BANCORP INC
 Form 4
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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 *
 ABDO JOHN E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 BANKATLANTIC BANCORP INC
 [BBX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 2100 W. CYPRESS CREEK RD.
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 04/17/2006

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Vice Chairman of the Board

FT. LAUDERDALE, FL 33309
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| Class A Common Stock | 04/17/2006 | | S | 7,500 | D \$ 15.32 | 590,610 | I Abdo Trust ⁽¹⁾ |
| Class A Common Stock | | | | | | 44,510.41 ⁽²⁾ | I 401(k) Plan |

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 (Instr. 8) | 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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Beneficially (Instr. 5) |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| ABDO JOHN E 2100 W. CYPRESS CREEK RD. FT. LAUDERDALE, FL 33309 | X | | Vice Chairman of the Board | |

Signatures

James A. White, EVP CFO, BankAtlantic Bancorp, Inc., Attorney-In-Fact for John E. Abdo

04/19/2006

__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) Trust f/b/o John E. Abdo under Trust Agreement dated 3/15/76, John E. Abdo, Trustee.

Represents number of units held by the reporting person in the Company stock fund in the Company's 401(k) plan. The 401(k) plan administrator has reported that these units represented 39,432.50 shares of the Company's Class A Common Stock held in the 401(k) plan on April 18, 2006.

Remarks:

Remarks: Sale is made pursuant to a plan adopted under Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

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