BOSTON PRIVATE FINANCIAL HOLDINGS INC Form 8-K September 23, 2010

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): September 23, 2010

Boston Private Financial Holdings, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Massachusetts (State or other jurisdiction 0-17089 (Commission 04-2976299 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

File Number)

Identification Number)

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Ten Post Office Square, Boston, Massachusetts 02109

(Address of principal executive offices)

(617) 912-1900

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01. Other Events.

Borel Private Bank & Trust Company, a subsidiary of Boston Private Financial Holdings, Inc., issued a press release on September 23, 2010. The press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated into this Item 8.01 by reference in its entirety.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits.
 - 99.1 Press Release of Borel Private Bank & Trust Company, dated September 23, 2010.

SIGNATURE

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

BOSTON PRIVATE FINANCIAL HOLDINGS, INC.

/s/ David J. Kaye David J. Kaye

Title:

By:

Name:

Chief Financial Officer

Date: September 23, 2010

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

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