

BROOKLINE BANCORP INC
Form 8-K
November 25, 2009

**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): November 20, 2009

BROOKLINE BANCORP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Delaware | 0-23695 | 04-3402944 |
| (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) | (Commission File No.) | (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) |

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| <u>160 Washington Street, Brookline, Massachusetts</u> | <u>02447-0469</u> |
| (Address of principal executive offices) | (Zip Code) |

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

Not applicable
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

Item 8.01 Other Events.

A purported class action filed on February 21, 2007 against Brookline Bank, a subsidiary of Brookline Bancorp, Inc. (the "Company"), asserting claims under the Massachusetts Uniform Commercial Code has been dismissed with prejudice and without costs. That action, captioned *Mosca v. Brookline Bank*, had been dismissed by the trial court and was pending appeal. The parties entered into a settlement agreement and on November 20, 2009, pursuant to a joint stipulation for voluntary dismissal filed by the parties, the Massachusetts Appeals Court entered an order dismissing the appeal. The resolution of this action did not have a material effect on the Company's consolidated financial position or results of operation.

SIGNATURE

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.

BROOKLINE BANCORP, INC.

Date: November 25, 2009 By: /s/ Paul R. Bechet
Paul R. Bechet
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer