#### **BROOKLINE BANCORP INC**

Form 4

January 29, 2008

### FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(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 PECK CHARLES H Issuer Symbol **BROOKLINE BANCORP INC** (Check all applicable) [brkl] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Other (specify X\_ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) 160 WASHINGTON STREET 01/29/2008 Executive vice president (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 BROOKLINE, MA 02447-0469 Person (Ctata)

(City)	(State)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securiti			5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership	7. Nature of Indirect	
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	* ` ′			Beneficially	Form:	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)  Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common stock	01/29/2008		S	10,000	D	\$ 10.155	438,691	D		
Common stock							10,000	I	Spouse	

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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. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. P Der Sect (Ins
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock option	\$ 4.944					04/19/2001	04/19/2009	Common stock	51,587	
Stock option	\$ 9.19					01/11/2008	04/19/2009	Common stock	52,207	
Stock option	\$ 10.87					07/25/2007	04/19/2009	Common stock	31,839	
Stock option	\$ 10.36					10/22/2007	04/19/2009	Common stock	28,717	
Stock option	\$ 15.02					01/02/2005	12/19/2013	Common stock	175,000	

# **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PECK CHARLES H 160 WASHINGTON STREET BROOKLINE, MA 02447-0469

Executive vice president

## **Signatures**

Paul R. Bechet, Power Of 01/29/2008 Attorney

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

### **Explanation of Responses:**

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