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Form 8-K

November 20, 2018

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): November 16, 2018

Boston Private Financial Holdings, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Massachusetts 001-35070

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification Number)

04-2976299

Ten Post Office Square, Boston, Massachusetts 02109

(Address of principal executive offices)

(617) 912-1900

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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:

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)) Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter)
- o Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. o

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Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On November 16, 2018, the Board of Directors of Boston Private Financial Holdings, Inc. approved and adopted an amendment to the Boston Private Financial Holdings, Inc. 2010 Inducement Stock Plan (the "Inducement Plan"), increasing the maximum number of shares of common stock reserved and available for issuance under the Inducement Plan from 1,245,000 shares to 1,845,000 shares. The amendment was approved without stockholder approval pursuant to Nasdaq Listing Rule 5635(c)(4).

The foregoing description of the amendment to the Inducement Plan is qualified in its entirety by reference to the text of the amendment to the Plan, which is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

- Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.
 - (d) Exhibits.
- 10.1 Third Amendment to Boston Private Financial Holdings, Inc. 2010 Inducement Stock Plan

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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.

By: /S/ STEVEN M. GAVEN

Name: Steven M. Gaven

Executive Vice President, Chief

Financial Officer

Date: November 20, 2018