MacDonald W. Timothy Form 4 May 17, 2018

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction

1(b).

Common

Stock

05/15/2018

(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 MacDonald W. Timothy Issuer Symbol **BOSTON PRIVATE FINANCIAL** (Check all applicable) HOLDINGS INC [BPFH] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) **BOSTON PRIVATE FINANCIAL** 05/15/2018 EVP, Chief Risk Officer HOLDINGS, INC., TEN POST **OFFICE SQUARE** (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 **BOSTON, MA 02109** (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Securities (Instr. 3) Code Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (D) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V (D) Price Amount Common 05/15/2018 M 8,646 105,552.47 D 16.6 Stock Common 05/15/2018 F 2,461 D 103,091,47 D Stock

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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2,547

D

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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 onDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Performance Shares	\$ 12.43 (1)	05/15/2018		M		8,646	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	12,530 (3)
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(4)</u>	05/15/2018		A	5,693		<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	5,693
Performance Restricted Stock Units	<u>(5)</u>	05/15/2018		A	8,539		<u>(5)</u>	(5)	Common Stock	8,539

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MacDonald W. Timothy BOSTON PRIVATE FINANCIAL HOLDINGS, INC. TEN POST OFFICE SQUARE BOSTON, MA 02109

EVP, Chief Risk Officer

Signatures

/s/ Margaret W. Chambers, attorney-in-fact for Mr. MacDonald

05/17/2018

**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) May 15, 2015 grant date common stock closing price.
- (2) Performance Shares represent a contingent right to receive one share of the Company's common stock. Performance Shares vested based on the Company's performance for the period January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2017.
- (3) Number represents targeted performance shares initially granted for the 2015-2017 performance period. 69% of these shares vested based upon the Company's performance during the performance period. The remaining performance shares were forfeited.

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- (4) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Company's common stock. Restricted Stock Units vest in full on the third anniversary of the grant date.
- (5) Each Performance Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Company's common stock. Performance Restricted Stock Units vest based on the Company's performance for the period January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2020.

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