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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **Deutsch Clayton**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Symbol

BOSTON PRIVATE FINANCIAL

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

HOLDINGS INC [BPFH]

X Director 10% Owner

(Month/Day/Year)

12/15/2017

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

CEO and President

BOSTON PRIVATE FINANCIAL HOLDINGS, INC., TEN POST **OFFICE SQUARE**

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

BOSTON, MA 02109

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Issuer

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Code V

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Amount

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Form: Direct Beneficial (D) or Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) (D)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price

Reported

Common Stock

12/15/2017

F 29,013 \$ 716,811.852 15.9

D

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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| 1. Title of | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exerc | cisable and | 7. Titl | le and | 8. Price of | 9 |
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| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transacti | orNumber | Expiration D | ate | Amou | ınt of | Derivative | J |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Under | lying | Security | , |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivative | e | | Secur | ities | (Instr. 5) | J |
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| | Security | | | | Acquired | | | | | |] |
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| | | | | | | | 24.0 | | of | | |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| . 9 | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| Deutsch Clayton BOSTON PRIVATE FINANCIAL HOLDINGS, INC. TEN POST OFFICE SQUARE BOSTON, MA 02109 | X | | CEO and President | | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Margaret W. Chambers, attorney-in-fact for Mr.
Deutsch 12/18/2017

**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) Balance includes shares acquired through the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Program.

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