

BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP INC
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * | | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | |
| Â Welch Glenn | | (Month/Day/Year) | BERKSHIRE HILLS BANCORP INC [BHLB] | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) |
| | | 04/17/2015 | | |
| 24 NORTH STREET | | | (Check all applicable) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) |
| | (Street) | | <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person |
| PITTSFIELD,Â MAÂ 01201 | | | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other | <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Executive Vice President | |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|---------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Common Stock | 29,602 | D | Â |
| Common Stock | 9,720 | I | By 401(k) |
| Common Stock | 40 | I | By UGMA-CT for Son |
| Common Stock | 40 | I | By UGMA-CT for Daughter |

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

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

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying | 4. Conversion | 5. Ownership | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership |
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| (Month/Day/Year) | | Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | (Instr. 5) |
| Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Welch Glenn 24 NORTH STREET PITTSFIELD, MA 01201 | Â | Â | Â Executive Vice President | Â |

Signatures

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| /s/ Marc P. Levy, pursuant to power of attorney | 04/27/2015 |
| **Signature of Reporting Person | Date |

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

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