

BATOFF WILLIAM W
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BATOFF WILLIAM W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
REPUBLIC FIRST BANCORP INC [FRBK]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
50 S. 16TH STREET, SUITE 2400
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
08/08/2008

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

PHILADELPHIA, PA 19102
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|-----|-------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |

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)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|
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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | | | | | | |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|---|-------|-----|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--|--|
| | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Common Stock | \$ 4.62 | 08/08/2008 | X | | 1,640 | | 12/01/1998 | 12/31/2008 | Common Stock | 1,640 | |
| Common Stock | \$ 2.73 | 08/08/2008 | X | | 1,491 | | 01/03/2000 | 01/03/2010 | Common Stock | 1,491 | |
| Common Stock | \$ 1.81 | 08/08/2008 | X | | 4,473 | | 12/26/2000 | 12/26/2010 | Common Stock | 4,473 | |
| Common Stock | \$ 2.77 | 08/08/2008 | X | | 4,473 | | 02/19/2002 | 02/19/2012 | Common Stock | 4,473 | |
| Common Stock | \$ 3.12 | 08/08/2008 | X | | 2,981 | | 12/17/2002 | 12/17/2012 | Common Stock | 2,981 | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| BATOFF WILLIAM W 50 S. 16TH STREET SUITE 2400 PHILADELPHIA, PA 19102 | X | | | |

Signatures

William W.
Batoff

11/17/2008

**Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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