### STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP

Form 4

March 19, 2008

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(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 BANKATLANTIC BANCORP INC Issuer Symbol STIFEL FINANCIAL CORP [SF] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director X\_\_ 10% Owner \_ Other (specify Officer (give title 2100 WEST CYPRESS CREEK 03/17/2008 below) ROAD 4. If Amendment, Date Original (Street) 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

### FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33309

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative Sec	urities	Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y 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 a surr Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 an	of (D)	ed (A)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common stock, \$0.15 par value	03/17/2008		J <u>(1)</u>	1,600,000	,		1,009,078 (2)	D	
Common stock, \$0.15 par value	03/18/2008		J <u>(1)</u>	285,000	D	\$ 40	724,078 (2)	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)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or	onNumber Expiration Date of (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pr Deri Secu (Inst
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Warrants (right to buy)	\$ 36				(3)	06/22/2012	Common stock, \$0.15 par value	481,724	

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
,	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
BANKATLANTIC BANCORP INC 2100 WEST CYPRESS CREEK ROAD FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33309		X				
0:						

## Signatures

/s/ Valerie C. Toalson, Chief Financial
Officer
03/19/2008

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

On March 17, 2008, the reporting person executed a purchase agreement pursuant to which it agreed to sell 1,600,000 shares of the issuer's common stock held by the reporting person in an underwritten public offering of shares of the issuer's common stock. Under the terms and conditions of the purchase agreement, the reporting person also granted the underwriters an option to purchase 285,000 additional shares of the issuer's common stock held by the reporting person. On March 18, 2008, the underwriters exercised this option.

- (1) terms and conditions of the purchase agreement, the reporting person also granted the underwriters an option to purchase 285,000 additional shares of the issuer's common stock held by the reporting person. On March 18, 2008, the underwriters exercised this option. The sale of the aggregate of 1,885,000 shares of the issuer's common stock held by the reporting person is expected to close on March 24, 2008.
- (2) Includes 481,724 shares of the issuer's common stock that may be purchased by the reporting person at \$36.00 per share pursuant to immediately exercisable warrants.
- (3) Warrants are immediately exercisable.

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