

BANKATLANTIC BANCORP INC

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

FORM 8-K

**CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of
The Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 12, 2005

BANKATLANTIC BANCORP, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

FLORIDA	34-027228	65-0507804
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)
2100 West Cypress Creek Road, Fort Lauderdale, Florida		33309
(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (954) 940-5000

Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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 - “ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On July 12, 2005, the Board of Directors of BankAtlantic Bancorp, Inc. (the Company), upon the recommendation of the Company's Compensation Committee, approved a non-employee director compensation plan for non-employee directors.

For the period beginning July 1, 2005 and ending June 30, 2006, each non-employee director will receive \$100,000 for service on the Board of Directors, payable in cash, restricted stock or non-qualified stock options, in such combinations as the directors may elect, provided that no more than \$50,000 will be payable in cash. The restricted stock and stock options will be granted in Class A Common Stock under the BankAtlantic Bancorp, Inc. 2005 Restricted Stock and Option Plan. Restricted stock will vest monthly over the 12-month service period and stock options will be fully vested on the date of grant, have a ten-year term and have an exercise price equal to the closing market price of the Class A Common Stock on the date of grant. The number of stock options and restricted stock to be granted will be determined by the Company based on assumptions and formulas typically used to value these types of securities.

In addition, the Chairman of the Audit Committee will receive \$20,000 annually for his service on that committee and the Chairmen of the Compensation Committee and the Nominating/Corporate Governance Committee will each receive \$3,500 annually for their service on those committees. Members of the Audit Committee will receive \$16,000 in cash for their service on that committee. Members of the Compensation Committee and the Nominating/Corporate Governance Committee will not receive additional compensation for service on those committees.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

BANKATLANTIC BANCORP, INC.

Date: July 14, 2005

By: /s/ James A White

Name: James A. White

Title: Chief Financial Officer