

Balka Jerome R
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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 *
 Balka Jerome R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 PRUDENTIAL BANCORP INC OF PENNSYLVANIA [PBIP]

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O PRUDENTIAL SAVINGS BANK, 1834 OREGON AVENUE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/05/2009

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

PHILADELPHIA, PA 19145

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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 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	01/05/2009		A	(A) Amount 11,307 (1)	\$ 0 14,307	D	
Common Stock					5,000	I	By IRA
Common Stock					1,000	I	By Danielle Thomas Revocable Trust (2)
Common Stock					5,000	I	By Balka Grandchildren

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Common Stock					1,500	I	Trust ⁽²⁾ By Marie Montone Drazen Trust ⁽²⁾	
Common Stock					400	I	By Lillian Montone Allen Trust ⁽²⁾	
Common Stock					70	I	By Estate of Helen Klara ⁽³⁾	

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 Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.17	01/05/2009		A	28,268	⁽⁴⁾ 01/05/2019	Common Stock	28,268

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Balka Jerome R C/O PRUDENTIAL SAVINGS BANK 1834 OREGON AVENUE PHILADELPHIA, PA 19145	X			

Signatures

/s/ Joseph R. Corrato, A.I.F. for Jerome R.
Balka

01/07/2009

__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) Represents the grant of shares pursuant to the 2008 Recognition and Retention Plan that vest 20% per year commencing on January 5, 2010.
- (2) The Reporting Person is trustee for the four trusts, and disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held therein.
- (3) The shares are held by an estate for which the Reporting Person is a guardian.
- (4) The options vest in five equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.

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