BANKATLANTIC BANCORP INC Form 8-K January 08, 2003

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) of the SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report

January 7, 2003 (Date of earliest event reported)

BankAtlantic Bancorp, Inc. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its Charter)

Florida

(State of other jurisdiction or incorporation or organization)

> 1750 East Sunrise Blvd. Ft. Lauderdale, Florida

34-027228

(Commission File Number)

33304

(Zip Code)

(Address of principal executive offices)

65-0507804 _____

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

(954) 760-5000 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 5. Other Events

On January 7, 2003, BankAtlantic Bancorp, Inc. issued a press release announcing the appointment of D. Keith Cobb to its Board of Directors. A Copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibit

99.1 Press Release dated January 7, 2003.

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SIGNATURES

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

BANKATLANTIC BANCORP, INC.

By: /s/ JAMES A. WHITE James A. White

Executive Vice President - Chief Financial Officer

Dated: January 7, 2003

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Description

99.1 Press Release dated January 7, 2003.