BANKATLANTIC BANCORP INC Form 8-K August 25, 2010

# 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): <u>August 24, 2010</u> BankAtlantic Bancorp, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Florida 001-13133 65-0507804

(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

2100 West Cypress Creek Road,

Ft. 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.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

#### Item 8.01 Other Events.

On August 24, 2010, BankAtlantic Bancorp, Inc. issued a press release announcing that it is (1) terminating its previously announced cash offers to purchase, and consent solicitations relating to, its twelve series of non-publicly traded trust preferred securities ( TruPS ) having an aggregate principal amount of \$230,000,000 and (2) dismissing the previously announced lawsuit it filed against The Bank of New York Mellon, as trustee under an indenture of an issuer of collateralized debt obligations which holds \$25.2 million principal amount of TruPS. The press release announcing the termination of the offers and the dismissal of the lawsuit is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

#### **Exhibit No.** Description

99.1 Press Release dated August 24, 2010.

# **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.

Date: August 24, 2010 BANKATLANTIC BANCORP, INC.

By: /s/ Valerie C. Toalson Valerie C. Toalson,

Executive Vice President - Chief Financial

Officer

#### **INDEX TO EXHIBITS**

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