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April 01, 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

March 26, 2003

(Date of earliest event reported)

BankAtlantic Bancorp, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its Charter)

Florida

34-027228

(State of other jurisdiction or
incorporation or organization)

(Commission File Number)

65-0507804

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

1750 East Sunrise Blvd.

33304

Ft. Lauderdale, Florida

(Zip Code)

(Address of principal executive offices)

(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 March 28, 2003, BankAtlantic Bancorp, Inc. issued a press release announcing the sale of an aggregate of \$65 million of trust preferred securities in separate transactions on March 26 and March 27, 2003 and the call for redemption of approximately \$46 million of 5.625% Convertible Subordinated Debentures due 2007. The sales of the trust preferred securities were part of larger pooled trust preferred securities offerings and were not registered under the Securities Act of 1933. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated March 28, 2003.

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/Mark Wendel

Name: Mark Wendel

Title: Senior Vice President, Controller

Dated: March 28, 2003

EXHIBIT INDEX

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Exhibit -----	Description -----
99.1	Press Release dated March 28, 2003.