

Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

- (b) On December 11, 2009, Robert M. Curley was appointed to the Boards of Directors of Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. and, its wholly-owned subsidiary, Berkshire Bank. On such date Mr. Curley was also appointed as the Chairman of Berkshire Bank's New York Region operations.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

- (a) Financial Statements of Businesses Acquired. Not applicable.
- (b) Pro Forma Financial Information. Not applicable.
- (c) Shell Company Transactions. Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc. press release dated December 16, 2009.

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.

Berkshire Hills Bancorp, Inc.

DATE: December 16, 2009

By: /s/ Kevin P. Riley
Kevin P. Riley,
Executive Vice President and Chief
Financial Officer