

---

---

**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): January 29, 2009**

---

**BANKFINANCIAL CORPORATION**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

---

**Maryland**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**0-51331**  
(Commission File No.)

**75-3199276**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**15W060 North Frontage Road, Burr Ridge, Illinois**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**60527**  
(Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (800) 894-6900**

**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):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
  - Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - 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 January 29, 2009, BankFinancial Corporation (the "Company") announced that its Board of Directors has declared a cash dividend of \$0.07 per share of its common stock. The dividend will be payable on March 6, 2009 to stockholders of record on February 11, 2009.

A copy of the press release announcing these items is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

- (a) Not Applicable.
- (b) Not Applicable.
- (c) Not Applicable.
- (d) Exhibits.

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press Release dated January 29, 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.

**BANKFINANCIAL CORPORATION**  
(Registrant)

Dated: January 29, 2009

By: /s/ F. Morgan Gasior  
F. Morgan Gasior  
Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer and President

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE****BankFinancial Corporation Declares Cash Dividend**

**Burr Ridge, Illinois** - (January 29, 2009) BankFinancial Corporation (Nasdaq – BFIN) announced that its Board of Directors has declared a cash dividend of \$0.07 per common share. The dividend will be payable on March 6, 2009 to stockholders of record on February 11, 2009.

BankFinancial Corporation is the holding company for BankFinancial, F.S.B., a full-service, community-oriented bank providing financial services to individuals, families and businesses through 18 full-service banking offices, located in Cook, DuPage, Lake and Will Counties, Illinois. At September 30, 2008, BankFinancial Corporation had total assets of \$1.449 billion, total loans of \$1.216 billion, total deposits of \$1.046 billion and stockholders' equity of \$262 million. BankFinancial Corporation became a publicly-traded company on June 24, 2005, and its common stock trades on the Nasdaq Stock Market under the symbol BFIN.

This release includes "forward-looking statements" as defined in the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. A variety of factors could cause BankFinancial's actual results to differ from those expected at the time of this release. For a discussion of some of the factors that may cause actual results to differ from expectations, please refer to BankFinancial's most recent Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q and Annual Report on Form 10-K as filed with the SEC. Investors are urged to review all information contained in these report, including the risk factors discussed therein. Copies of these filings are available at no cost on the SEC's web site at <http://www.sec.gov> or on BankFinancial's web site at <http://www.bankfinancial.com>. Forward looking statements speak only as of the date they are made, and we do not undertake to update them to reflect changes.

**For Further Information Contact:**

Shareholder, Analyst and Investor Inquiries:

Elizabeth A. Doolan,

Senior Vice President – Contoller

*BankFinancial Corporation*

Telephone: 630-242-7151

Media Inquiries:

Gregg T. Adams,

Executive Vice President – Marketing &amp; Sales

*BankFinancial Corporation*

Telephone: 630-242-7234