Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

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## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person Cloutier Paul A						BankFinancial CORP [ BFIN ]								(Check all applicable)  Director  Director  Director  Director  Director  Director  Director					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 15W060 NORTH FRONTAGE ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/05/2006								helow)	er (give title v) • & Chief Financ		below	′ I	
(Street) BURR RIDGE IL 60527 (City) (State) (Zip)					_	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								5. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da					r) E	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)					Securities Beneficial Owned Fo	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		Direct	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transactio				(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 09/05/2					5/2006	006		A		85,000	2) A	\$0	135,000		]	D			
Common Stock														628.6962		I		By Employee Stock Ownership Plan <sup>(3)</sup>	
		-	Table II								oosed of,			Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/D	n Date,	4. Transacti Code (Ins 8)		on of		6. Date E Expiratio (Month/I	on Da		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		10. Ownersh Form: Direct (D or Indire (I) (Instr.	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Stock Options (Rights to Buy)	\$17.62	09/05/2006			A		85,000		(1)		09/05/2011	Common Stock	85,000	\$0	85,0	000	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Stock Option Awards granted pursuant to the 2006 Equity Incentive Plan of BankFinancial Corporation vest ratably over five annual installments commencing December 31, 2006
- 2. Stock Awards granted pursuant to the 2006 Equity Incentive Plan of BankFinancial Corporation vest as follows: 25,000 at each December 31, 2006, 2007, and 2008 and 5,000 at each December 31, 2009, and
- 3. Reflects ESOP allocations and dispositions that occurred since the date of the reporting person?s last ownership report

/s/ F. Morgan Gasior, pursuant to power of attorney

09/07/2006

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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