FIRST COMMONWEALTH FINANCIAL CORP /PA/
Form 8-K
December 23, 2008

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): December 23, 2008

First Commonwealth Financial Corporation

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Pennsylvania	**001-11138**	**25-1428528**
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	**(Commission File Number)**	**(IRS Employer Identification Number)**

22 N. Sixth Street, Indiana, PA	**15701**
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)	**(Zip Code)**

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (724) 349-7220

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:

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¨ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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

On December 23, 2008, First Commonwealth Financial Corporation announced that its Executive Vice President and Chief Audit Executive, William R. Jarrett, will retire from that position at the end of 2008 and that it will appoint Leonard V. Lombardi as its new Executive Vice President and Chief Audit Executive. The press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Mr. Jarrett will continue as a part-time advisor to First Commonwealth and non-officer employee as of January 1, 2009 with an annual base salary of $92,000. This employment arrangement is terminable at will by Mr. Jarrett or First Commonwealth.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press release dated December 23, 2008

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.

Dated: December 23, 2008

FIRST COMMONWEALTH FINANCIAL CORPORATION
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Edward J. Lipkus, III
Edward J. Lipkus, III
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer