

Kearny Financial Corp.
Form 8-K
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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)

October 1, 2009

KEARNY FINANCIAL CORP.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

United States
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

0-51093
(Commission

File Number)

22-3803741
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

120 Passaic Avenue, Fairfield, New Jersey
(Address of principal executive offices)

07004
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

(973) 244-4500

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Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)).
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INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN REPORT

Item 4.01 Changes in Registrant's Certifying Accountant

On October 1, 2009, Kearny Financial Corp. (the "Company") was notified that the audit practice of Beard Miller Company LLP ("Beard") was combined with Parente Randolph, LLC to form ParenteBeard LLC ("ParenteBeard"). On October 1, 2009, Beard resigned as the auditors of the Company and with the approval of the Audit Committee of the Company's Board of Directors on October 5, 2009, ParenteBeard was engaged as its independent registered public accounting firm.

Prior to engaging ParenteBeard, the Company did not consult with ParenteBeard regarding the application of accounting principles to a specific completed or contemplated transaction or regarding the type of audit opinions that might be rendered by ParenteBeard on the Company's financial statements, and ParenteBeard did not provide any written or oral advice that was an important factor considered by the Company in reaching a decision as to any such accounting, auditing or financial reporting issue.

The reports of Beard regarding the Company's consolidated financial statements for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2009 and 2008 did not contain any adverse opinion or disclaimer of opinion and were not qualified or modified as to uncertainty, audit scope or accounting principles.

During the years ended June 30, 2009 and 2008, and during the interim period from the end of the most recently completed fiscal year through the date of their resignation, there were no disagreements with Beard on any matter of accounting principles or practices, financial statement disclosure or auditing scope or procedures, which disagreements, if not resolved to the satisfaction of Beard would have caused it to make reference to such disagreement in its reports.

The Company provided Beard with a copy of this Current Report on Form 8-K prior to its filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission and requested that Beard furnish the Company with a letter addressed to the Securities and Exchange Commission stating whether it agrees with above statements and, if it does not agree, the respects in which it does not agree. A copy of Beard's letter, dated October 5, 2009, is filed as Exhibit 16 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibits are furnished with this report.

Exhibit 16 – Letter of concurrence from Beard Miller Company, LLC

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.

KEARNY FINANCIAL CORP.

Date: October 5, 2009

By: /s/ Craig L. Montanaro
Craig L. Montanaro

Senior Vice President and Director

Of Strategic Planning