

FARRELL EDWARD J

Form 4

January 27, 2009

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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See Instruction
1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
FARRELL EDWARD J

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN
HOLDING L.P. [AB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
01/23/2009

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
SVP and Controller

C/O ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN
L.P., 1345 AVENUE OF THE
AMERICAS

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

NEW YORK, NY 10105

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
units rep. assignments of beneficial owner. of lp interests ⁽¹⁾	01/23/2009		A ⁽²⁾	4,875 A	\$ 17.05 14,282 ⁽³⁾	I	by rabbi trust under deferred compensation plan
Holding Units ⁽¹⁾					3,972	D	

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repor Trans (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FARRELL EDWARD J
C/O ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN L.P.
1345 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS
NEW YORK, NY 10105

SVP and Controller

Signatures

/s/ Mark R. Manley, by
pwr. att'y

01/27/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* 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).

(1) Units representing assignments of beneficial ownership of limited partnership interests in AllianceBernstein Holding L.P. ("Holding Units")

(2) Reporting Person notionally invested a portion of his 2008 award under an employee deferred compensation plan in Holding Units. In so doing, he may be deemed to have acquired 4,875 Holding Units. These Holding Units are held in a rabbi trust under the compensation plan until they are distributed to Reporting Person. The award vests (restrictions on Reporting Person's ability to sell the Holding Units lapse) in equal annual increments on each of December 1, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012.

(3) Total includes 712 Holding Units acquired through distribution reinvestment.

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