FORM 3

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

# INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  KANAS JOHN ADAM			2. Date of Even Statement (Month/Day/Yea 01/27/2011		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BankUnited, Inc. [ BKU ]						
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O BANKUNITED, INC. 14817 OAK LANE					itionship of Reporting Perso all applicable) Director Officer (give title below)	10% Owner Other (spec below)	ify	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)			
(Street) MIAMI LAKES	FL	33016				Chairman, President	and CEO		X	,	One Reporting Person  More than One rson
(City)	(State)	(Zip)									
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned											
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)						nt of Securities ally Owned (Instr. 4)			4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share						3,800,170(1)	D				
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share						1,250,000	I		As Trustee <sup>(2)</sup>		
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)											
, , ,			2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securitie Underlying Derivative Security			4. Conver	cise	5. Ownership Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title		Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivati Securit	ive	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Common Stock Option (right to buy)		(3)	05/21/2019	Com	mon Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	2,226,258	27		D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Includes 948,309 shares of restricted common stock. In connection with the reorganization transactions (the "Reorganization") described in the BankUnited, Inc. Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 333-170203) (the "Registration Statement"), one-sixth of these shares vested on May 21, 2010, one-half will vest on the date of the Reorganization (expected February 2, 2011) and one-sixth will vest on each of May 21, 2011 and May 21, 2012.
- 2. Shares held by the Kanas 2010 Annuity Trust, over which the reporting person is the trustee. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein and the inclusion of these shares in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of these shares for Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- 3. Includes 2,226,258 options. In connection with the Reorganization described in the Registration Statement, one-sixth of these options vested on May 21, 2010, one-half will vest on the date of the Reorganization (expected February 2, 2011) and one-sixth will vest on each of May 21, 2011 and May 21, 2012.

#### Remarks:

/s/ Douglas J. Pauls, as Attorney o1/27/2011

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (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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#### POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of John A. Kanas, Douglas J. Pauls, and Rajinder P. Singh or any of them signing singly, and with full power of substitution, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) prepare, execute in the undersigned's name and on the undersigned's behalf, and submit to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") a Form ID, including amendments thereto, and any other documents necessary or appropriate to obtain codes and passwords enabling the undersigned to make electronic filings with the SEC of reports required by Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or any rule or regulation of the SEC;
- (2) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of BankUnited, Inc. (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4, and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;
- do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such form with the SEC and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 21st day of January, 2011.

<u>/s/ John Adam Kanas</u> John Adam Kanas