

HARVEY WILLIAM W  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
HARVEY WILLIAM W

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
100 LIBERTY STREET  
(Street)

WARREN, PA 16365

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Northwest Bancshares, Inc. [NWBI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/20/2013

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_X\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Exec V.P., Finance & CFO

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

**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)		
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price		
Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	02/20/2013	02/20/2013	M		11,475	A	\$ 7.37 97,588	D	
Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	02/20/2013	02/20/2013	F		6,670 (1)	D	\$ 12.68 90,918	D	
Northwest Bancshares, Inc.							686	I	IRA
Northwest Bancshares,							686	I	Wife's IRA

Inc.				
Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	7,991.17	(2)	I	401-K
Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	11,853.56	(3)	I	ESOP

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		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
					Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.68	02/20/2013	02/20/2013	M		11,475	08/20/2007	08/20/2013	Northwest Bancshares Inc.
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.68	02/20/2013	02/20/2013	A		6,670	08/20/2007	08/20/2013	Northwest Bancshares Inc.
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.33						12/15/2004	12/15/2014	Northwest Bancshares Inc.
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.19						01/19/2006	01/19/2015	Northwest Bancshares Inc.
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.86						01/18/2007	01/18/2016	Northwest Bancshares Inc.
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.51						01/17/2008	01/17/2017	Northwest Bancshares Inc.
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.12						01/16/2009	01/16/2018	Northwest Bancshares Inc.

Buy)

Stock Options  
(Right to Buy) \$ 9.79

11/19/2009 11/19/2018

Inc.  
Northwest  
Bnacshares  
Inc.

Stock Options  
(Right to Buy) \$ 7.48

02/18/2010 02/18/2019

Northwest  
Bnacshares  
Inc.

Stock Options  
(Right to Buy) \$ 11.49

01/20/2011 01/20/2020

Northwest  
Bnacshares  
Inc.

Stock Options  
(Right to Buy) \$ 12.12

01/19/2012 01/19/2021

Northwest  
Bnacshares  
Inc.

Stock Options  
(Right to Buy) \$ 12.32

05/18/2012 05/18/2021

Northwest  
Bnacshares  
Inc.

Stock Options  
(Right to Buy) \$ 11.7

05/23/2013 05/23/2022

Northwest  
Bnacshares  
Inc.

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HARVEY WILLIAM W 100 LIBERTY STREET WARREN, PA 16365			Exec V.P., Finance & CFO	

## Signatures

William W.  
Harvey, Jr. 02/22/2013

\*\*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) Constructively exchanged 6,670 shares in order to exercise 11,475 stock options. The number of shares issued was 4,805.
- (2) Reflects transactions not required to be reported pursuant to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- (3) Reflects transactions not required to be reported pursuant to section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

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