

Northwest Bancshares, Inc.  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
WESTERBURG DAVID E

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)

100 LIBERTY STREET

11/10/2016

EVP Chief Operations Officer

(Street)

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

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

WARREN, PA 16365

(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)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	11/10/2016		X		10,125 A \$ 11.12	38,746	D
Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	11/10/2016		X		10,125 A \$ 9.79	48,871	D
Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	11/10/2016		X		7,231 A \$ 11.49	56,102	D
Northwest Bancshares,	11/10/2016		X		6,333 A \$ 12.12	62,435	D

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Inc.								
Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	11/10/2016	X	11,994	A	\$ 12.32	74,429		D
Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	11/10/2016	S	45,808	D	\$ 16.9436 <u>(1)</u>	28,621		D
Northwest Bancshares, Inc.						44,048.996 <u>(2)</u>	I	401-K

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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.12	11/10/2016		X	10,125	01/16/2009	01/16/2018	Common Stock	10,125
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.79	11/10/2016		X	10,125	11/19/2009	11/19/2018	Common Stock	10,125
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.49	11/10/2016		X	7,231	01/20/2011	01/20/2020	Common Stock	9,000
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.12	11/10/2016		X	6,333	01/19/2012	01/19/2021	Common Stock	9,000

Stock										
Options	\$ 12.32	11/10/2016		X	11,994	05/18/2012	08/18/2021	Common		34,000
(Right to Buy)								Stock		

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WESTERBURG DAVID E 100 LIBERTY STREET WARREN, PA 16365			EVP Chief Operations Officer	

## Signatures

David E. Westerburg	11/15/2016
<u>          </u> 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) Average price of 48 lots with a high of \$17.0645 and a low of \$16.84.
- (2) Reflects transactions not required to be reported pursuant to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

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