

BROWN JEFFREY N

Form 4

December 20, 2005

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

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BROWN JEFFREY N

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
WEBSTER FINANCIAL CORP
[WBS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
WEBSTER PLAZA
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/16/2005

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
Executive Vice President, Mktg

WATERBURY, CT 06702

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
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Person

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	12/16/2005		F		182	D \$ 47.66	14,135	D	
Common Stock							1,290	I	ESOP
Common Stock							1,167	I	401(k) plan

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. Pri Deriv Secur (Instr
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 49.62					12/20/2005	12/20/2014	Common Stock
Stock Option	\$ 22.81					10/23/2003	10/23/2010	Common Stock
Stock Option	\$ 24.625					12/07/2002	12/17/2009	Common Stock
Stock Option	\$ 26.5					12/17/2001	12/17/2008	Common Stock
Stock Option	\$ 29.84					12/17/2004	12/17/2011	Common Stock
Stock Option	\$ 31.75					12/15/2000	12/15/2007	Common Stock
Stock Option	\$ 34.6					12/16/2003	12/16/2012	Common Stock
Stock Option	\$ 45.55					12/15/2004	12/15/2013	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BROWN JEFFREY N WEBSTER PLAZA WATERBURY, CT 06702			Executive Vice President, Mktg	

Signatures

Renee P. Seefried, by Power of
Atty.

12/20/2005

__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) 4 yr. incremental vesting - 25% vests each year for 4 years

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