

WEBSTER FINANCIAL CORP  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
SMITH JAMES COPENHAVER

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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/26/2009

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Chairman & Chief Executive Off

C/O WEBSTER FINANCIAL CORP, 145 BANK STREET

(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

WATERBURY, CT 06702

(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)	
				(A) or (D)	Price			
				Code	V	Amount		
Common Stock	02/26/2009		P	21,481	A	\$ 4.2272	160,806	D
						(1)		
Common Stock	02/27/2009		P	10,200	A	\$ 3.9176	171,006	D
						(2)		
Common Stock	03/02/2009		P	14,319	A	\$ 3.75	185,325	D
Common Stock							111,000	I
								By Grantor Retained

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							Annuit Trust		
Common Stock						99,147	I	401(k)/ESOP	
Common Stock						32,997	I	Directly by Spouse	
Common Stock						5,698	I	Directly by Spouse IRA	
Common Stock	02/26/2009		P	31,500	A	\$ 4.128 (3)	41,046	I	Custody for Children
Common Stock	02/27/2009		P	5,000	A	\$ 3.824 (4)	46,046	I	Custody for Children
Common Stock	03/02/2009		P	17,500	A	\$ (5)	63,546	I	Custody for Children

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 Option	\$ 24.625					12/07/2002	12/07/2009	Common Stock	44,700
Stock Option	\$ 22.81					10/23/2003	10/23/2010	Common Stock	247,925
Stock Option	\$ 29.84					12/17/2004	12/17/2011	Common Stock	61,975
Stock Option	\$ 34.6					12/16/2003 <sup>(6)</sup>	12/16/2012	Common Stock	62,525
	\$ 45.55					12/15/2004 <sup>(6)</sup>	12/15/2013		65,728



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- (7) Each share of phantom stock represents the right to receive one share of Webster Financial Corporation common stock or the cash value thereof. These shares are held in the Webster Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (8) Shares of phantom stock are payable in shares or in cash following termination of the reporting person's employment with Webster Financial Corporation.

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