Bankwell Financial Group, Inc.

Form 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Lampert Todd Issuer Symbol Bankwell Financial Group, Inc. (Check all applicable) [BWFG] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X__ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title _ Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) C/O BANKWELL FINANCIAL 02/25/2015 GROUP, INC., 220 ELM STREET (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

NEW CANAAN, CT 06840

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(City)	(State) (Z ₁ p) Tabl	e I - Non-D	Perivative Securities Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	ally Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price	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)
Common Stock (1)			Code	rinount (b) Trice	1,400	D	
Common Stock (2)					1,000	D	
Common Stock					12,350	D	
Common Stock (3)					2,200	D	
Common Stock (3)					2,950	I	Held as Custodian

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								for Minor
Common Stock (3)						2,850	I	Held by Wife
Common Stock						5,732	I	Held by Wife
Common Stock	02/25/2015	M	2,100	A	\$ 14.5	2,100	D	

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	Securi	ivative ties red sed of	6. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y			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	\$ 14.5	02/25/2015		M	2,100)	03/01/2005	03/01/2015	Common Stock	2,100	
Stock Options	\$ 15.5						12/22/2005	12/22/2015	Common Stock	1,620	
Stock Options	\$ 16						03/29/2006	03/29/2016	Common Stock	1,500	
Stock Options	\$ 17.5						12/13/2006	12/13/2016	Common Stock	4,125	
Stock Options	\$ 20.7						12/12/2007	12/12/2017	Common Stock	3,871	
Stock Options	\$ 20.7						12/12/2007	12/12/2017	Common Stock	1,456	

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Warrants \$ 14

10/01/2015 12/01/2015

Common Stock

2,576

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Lampert Todd C/O BANKWELL FINANCIAL GROUP, INC. 220 ELM STREET NEW CANAAN, CT 06840

X

Signatures

/s/ Todd Lampert by POA

02/26/2015

**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).
- 1,400 shares of restricted stock granted pursuant to the 2012 BNC Financial Group, Inc. Stock Plan and will vest in four equal annual(1) installments of 25%, with the first installment to vest on November 5, 2014 and an additional 25% to vest on each annual anniversary of the grant date thereafter.
- 1,000 shares of restricted stock granted pursuant to the 2012 Bankwell Financial Group, Inc. Stock Plan. The shares vest in three (2) substantially equal installments the first immediately on December 15, 2014 and then on each of December 3, 2015 and December 3, 2016
- All of the Shares reported are Units. Each Unit consists of one share of Common Stock and an attached Warrant which gives the Reporting Person the right to purchase .3221 shares of the Company's Common Stock at \$14.00 per share once exercised. The exercise period for the Warrants is currently set for October 1, 2015 through December 1, 2015. The associated Common Stock is disclosed in Table I, and the associated Warrants in Table II.
- (4) Stock Options granted pursuant to the 2002 Bank Management, Director and Founder Stock Option Plan, all of which are fully vested.
- (5) Stock Options granted pursuant to the 2006 Stock Option Plan, all of which are fully vested.
- (6) Stock Options granted pursuant to the 2007 Bank of New Canaan Stock Option Equity Award Plan, all of which are fully vested.

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