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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Lampert Todd

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

Bankwell Financial Group, Inc. [BWFG]

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

09/21/2017

_X__ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner _ Other (specify

C/O BANKWELL FINANCIAL GROUP, INC., 220 ELM STREET

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

NEW CANAAN, CT 06840

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	y 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)	omr Dispo (Instr. 3,	sed of 4 and (A) or		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							350	D (1)	
Common Stock							1,000	D (3)	
Common Stock							500	D (4)	
Common Stock							500	D (5)	
Common Stock	09/21/2017		S	1,600	D	\$ 34.0293	26,827	D (2)	

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Common Stock	09/22/2017	S	550	D	\$ 33.6589	26,277	D (2)
Common Stock	09/22/2017	S	100	D	\$ 33.85	26,177	D (2)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	-	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
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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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Kelationships					
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Lampert Todd C/O BANKWELL FINANCIAL GROUP, INC. 220 ELM STREET NEW CANAAN, CT 06840	X					

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Signatures

/s/ Todd Lampert by POA

09/25/2017

**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. As of the Transaction Date, 1,050 Shares have vested.
- (2) 9,499 of Shares reported are owned jointly with Spouse.
 - 1,000 shares of restricted stock granted on January 10, 2017, pursuant to the 2012 Bankwell Financial Group, Inc. Stock Plan and will
- (3) vest in two equal annual installments of 500 shares, with the first installment to vest on December 29, 2017 and the remaining 500 shares to vest on December 31, 2018.
- (4) 500 Shares of restricted stock granted on April 28, 2017, pursuant to the 2012 Bankwell Financial Group, Inc. Stock Plan, all Shares have fully vested.
- (5) 500 Shares of restricted stock granted on April 28, 2017, pursuant to the 2012 Bankwell Financial Group, Inc. Stock Plan which will fully vest on April 28, 2018.
- (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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