

WEBSTER FINANCIAL CORP

Form 4

December 18, 2007

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

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

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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)
12/16/2007

☐ 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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	12/16/2007		F		935	D	\$ 32.28	97,476	D
Common Stock								111,000	I
Common Stock								89,200	I
Common Stock								62,997	I
								5,698	I
									By Grantor Retained Annuity Trust
									401(k)/ESOP
									Directly by Spouse

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Common Stock				Directly by Spouse IRA
Common Stock	9,546	I		Custody for Children

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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. Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	
Stock Option	\$ 33.75					04/30/1998	04/30/2008	Common Stock 200,000
Stock Option	\$ 33.875					06/30/1998	06/30/2008	Common Stock 200,000
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 ⁽¹⁾	12/16/2012	Common Stock 62,525
Stock Option	\$ 45.55					12/15/2004 ⁽¹⁾	12/15/2013	Common Stock 65,728
Stock Option	\$ 49.62					12/20/2005 ⁽¹⁾	12/20/2014	Common Stock 60,707
Stock Option	\$ 47.4					12/20/2006 ⁽¹⁾	12/20/2015	Common Stock 47,182
	\$ 48.88					12/19/2007 ⁽¹⁾	12/19/2016	64,483

Stock Option					Common Stock	
Phantom Stock	(2)		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	12,322

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SMITH JAMES COPENHAVER C/O WEBSTER FINANCIAL CORP 145 BANK STREET WATERBURY, CT 06702	X		Chairman & Chief Executive Off	

Signatures

Renee P. Seefried by Power of Attorney
12/18/2007

__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.

(2) 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.

(3) 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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