

WEBSTER FINANCIAL CORP
Form 4
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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)
C/O WEBSTER FINANCIAL
CORP, 145 BANK STREET

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
08/20/2007

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

(Street)
WATERBURY, CT 06702

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

(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	08/20/2007		S ⁽¹⁾	800 D \$ 43.21	66,726	D	
Common Stock	08/20/2007		S ⁽¹⁾	300 D \$ 43.24	66,426	D	
Common Stock	08/20/2007		S ⁽¹⁾	400 D \$ 43.27	66,026	D	
Common Stock	08/20/2007		S ⁽¹⁾	200 D \$ 43.28	65,826	D	
Common Stock	08/20/2007		S ⁽¹⁾	200 D \$ 43.29	65,626	D	

Common Stock	08/20/2007		S ⁽¹⁾	200	D	\$ 43.3	65,426	D	
Common Stock	08/20/2007		S ⁽¹⁾	200	D	\$ 43.31	65,226	D	
Common Stock	08/20/2007		S ⁽¹⁾	700	D	\$ 43.32	64,526	D	
Common Stock							111,000 ⁽²⁾	I	by Grantor Retained Annuity Trust

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Beneficially (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

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

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of Atty

08/21/2007

__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) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on July 27, 2007.
- (2) These shares were previously reported as directly beneficially owned, but were contributed to a grantor retained annuity trust on May 11, 2007.

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