

Northwest Bancshares, Inc.  
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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 \*  
**SMELKO MICHAEL G**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 Northwest Bancshares, Inc. [NWBI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

Exec. V.P., Chief Credit Off.

100 LIBERTY 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

(Street)

WARREN, PA 16365

(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 or Price		
Northwest Bancshares, Inc. Common Stock	12/06/2016		X		10,125 A \$ 11.12	72,171	D
Northwest Bancshares, inc. Common Stock	12/06/2016		X		10,125 A \$ 9.79	82,296	D
Northwest Bancshares,	12/06/2016		X		10,125 A \$ 7.48	92,421	D

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Inc.  
Common  
Stock

Northwest  
Bancshares,  
Inc.  
Common  
Stock

12/06/2016

S

30,375 D

\$

18,2681

62,046

D

(1)

Northwest  
Bancshares,  
Inc.  
Common  
Stock

1,019

I

Wife's  
IRA

Northwest  
Bancshares,  
Inc.  
Common  
Stock

17,769.672  
(2)

I

401-K

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)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.12	12/06/2016		X	10,125	01/16/2009 01/16/2018	Common Stock	10,125	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.79	12/06/2016		X	10,125	11/19/2009 11/19/2018	Common Stock	10,125	
	\$ 7.48	12/06/2016		X	10,125	02/18/2010 02/18/2019		10,125	

Stock  
options  
(Right to  
Buy)

Common  
Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SMELKO MICHAEL G 100 LIBERTY STREET WARREN, PA 16365			Exec. V.P., Chief Credit Off.	

## Signatures

Michael G.  
Smelko

12/07/2016

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) Average price of 10 lots with a high of \$18.29 and a low of \$18.25.
- (2) Reflects transactions that are not reportable pursuant to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

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