

Conway Timothy J
Form 4
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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 *
Conway Timothy J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O NEWSTAR FINANCIAL,
INC., 500 BOYLSTON STREET,
SUITE 1600

(Street)

BOSTON, MA 02116

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

NewStar Financial, Inc. [NEWS]

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

12/13/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify
below)

Chairman, CEO and President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

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, \$0.01 par value	12/13/2006		A		359,193 (1)	A \$ 0 359,193 (1)	D

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(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)
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Option (right to buy)	\$ 17	12/13/2006		A	763,980 (1)	(2) 12/13/2016	Common Stock 763,980 (1)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Conway Timothy J C/O NEWSTAR FINANCIAL, INC. 500 BOYLSTON STREET, SUITE 1600 BOSTON, MA 02116	X		Chairman, CEO and President	

Signatures

/s/ Daniel K. Crowley,
Attorney-in-Fact

12/15/2006

____Signature of Reporting Person

____Date

Explanation of Responses:

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(1) Reflects a 1-for-2.4808 reverse split of our Common Stock that will become effective on December 19, 2006.

(2) The options vest as follow: 60% vested on 12/13/2006; and the remaining 40% vests in four equal installments beginning on December 13, 2007.

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