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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Lampert Todd

(First)

C/O BANKWELL FINANCIAL

(Middle)

(Zip)

GROUP, INC., 220 ELM STREET

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Bankwell Financial Group, Inc. [BWFG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Month/Day/Year) 12/08/2017

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_X__ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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			Table	1 - MOII-D	crivative securities 2	Acquired, Disposed of, of Deficiencially Owned			
1.Title Securi		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transactio	4. Securities Acquir on(A) or Disposed of	ed 5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect	
(Instr.	•	(World Buy, Tour)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	(D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Beneficially Owned	(D) or Indirect (I)	Beneficial Ownership	
			(Month/Day/Tear)	(Ilisti. 6)	(IIISII. 3, 4 and 3)	Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
					(A) or	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code V	Amount (D) Pri	te (msu. 3 and 4)			
Com		12/08/2017		M	5,327 A \$ 20.	7 32,354	D (2) (1)		
Com						1,000	D (3)		
Com						500	D (4)		

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)			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
Stock Options	\$ 20.7	12/08/2017		M		3,871	12/12/2007	12/12/2017	Common Stock	3,871
Stock Options	\$ 20.7	12/08/2017		M		1,456	12/12/2007	12/12/2017	Common Stock	1,456

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

/s/ Todd Lampert 12/08/2017 by POA **Signature of Reporting Date Person

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, all Shares have vested.
- (2) 9,499 of Shares reported are owned jointly with Spouse.

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- 1,000 shares of restricted stock granted on January 10, 2017, pursuant to the 2012 Bankwell Financial Group, Inc. Stock Plan and will 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 which will fully vest on April 28, 2018.
- (5) 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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