

Northwest Bancshares, Inc.  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**FISHER STEVEN G**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**100 LIBERTY STREET**  
  
(Street)

**WARREN, PA 16365**

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**05/21/2014**

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)  
**Exec. V.P., Banking Services**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
|   |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount or (D) Price   |  |  |
| Northwest Bancshares, Inc. Common Stock | 05/21/2014                           | 05/21/2014   | A                              |   | \$ 6,750<br>(1) 13.22   | D  |  |
| Northwest Bancshares, Inc. Common Stock |                                      |  |                                |   | 22,500  | I  | Wife                                       |
| Northwest Bancshares, Inc. Common Stock |                                      |  |                                |   | 4,275   | I  | Inherited Beneficiary                      |

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|   |  |  |  |                         |   |  |                      |
|---|--|--|--|-------------------------|---|--|----------------------|
| Inc.<br>Common<br>Stock                             |  |  |  |                         |   |  | IRA                  |
| Northwest<br>Bancshares,<br>Inc.<br>Common<br>Stock |  |  |  | 6,080                   | I |  | Custodian<br>Son # 2 |
| Northwest<br>Bancshares,<br>Inc.<br>Common<br>Stock |  |  |  | <u>71,669.65</u><br>(3) | I |  | 401-K                |
| Northwest<br>Bancshares,<br>Inc.<br>Common<br>Stock |  |  |  | <u>26,215.83</u><br>(4) | I |  | ESOP                 |

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) |              |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title        | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy)               | \$ 13.15   | 05/21/2014                           | 05/21/2014   | A                              | 14,400<br>(2)   | 05/21/2014   | 05/21/2024  | Common Stock | 14,400                     |

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Reporting Owners

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Director 10% Owner Officer

Other

FISHER STEVEN G  
100 LIBERTY STREET  
WARREN, PA 16365

Exec. V.P., Banking Services

## Signatures

Steven G. Fisher

05/23/2014

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) One tenth of this grant of RRP shares will vest each year beginning May 21, 2014 and on each May 21st thereafter through May 21, 2023.
- (2) One tenth of this grant of stock options will vest each year beginning May 21, 2014 and on each May 21st thereafter through May 21, 2023.
- (3) Reflects transactions not required to be reported pursuant to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- (4) Reflects transactions not required to be reported pursuant to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

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