SMITH JAMES COPENHAVER

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FORM 4

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1(b).

(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		IAL	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/15/2009	X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman & Chief Executive Off
WATERBURY	(Street) Y, CT 06702	2	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securion OnAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	(A) or of (D)	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)	
Common Stock						13,325	D		
Common Stock						283,000 (1)	I	By Grantor Retained Annuity Trust	
Common Stock						99,147	I	401(k)/ESOP	
Common Stock						32,997	I	Directly by Spouse	
						5,698	I		

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Common Stock			Directly by Spouse IRA
Common Stock	63,546	I	Custody for Children
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$\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (\emph{e.g.}, puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \\ \end{tabular}$

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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)	5. Number out 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 of Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 24.625						12/07/2002	12/07/2009	Common Stock	44,700
Stock Option	\$ 22.81						10/23/2003	10/23/2010	Common Stock	247,92
Stock Option	\$ 29.84						12/17/2004	12/17/2011	Common Stock	61,975
Stock Option	\$ 34.6						12/16/2003(2)	12/16/2012	Common Stock	62,525
Stock Option	\$ 45.55						12/15/2004(2)	12/15/2013	Common Stock	65,728
Stock Option	\$ 49.62						12/20/2005(2)	12/20/2014	Common Stock	60,707
Stock Option	\$ 47.4						12/20/2006(2)	12/20/2015	Common Stock	47,182
Stock Option	\$ 48.88						12/19/2007(2)	12/19/2016	Common Stock	64,483
Stock Option	\$ 32.03						12/18/2008(2)	12/18/2017	Common Stock	106,19
Stock Option	\$ 12.85						12/16/2009(2)	12/16/2018	Common Stock	213,67

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Phantom Stock (3) 05/15/2009 A 8,485 (4) (4) Common Stock 8,485

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

Renee P. Seefried by Power of Attorney 05/19/2009

**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) This includes 172,000 shares that were previously reported as directly beneficially owned, but were contributed to a grantor retained annuity trust on April 23, 2009.
- (2) 4 yr. incremental vesting 25% vests each year for 4 years.
- (3) Each share of phantom stock represents the right to receive one share of Webster Financial Corporation common stock or the cash value thereof. These shares are held in the Webster Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (4) Shares of phantom stock are payable in shares or in cash following termination of the reporting person's employment with Webster Financial Corporation.

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