NewStar Financial, Inc. Form 4

February 22, 2017

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Conway Timothy J

> (First) (Middle)

C/O NEWSTAR FINANCIAL. INC., 500 BOYLSTON STREET, **SUITE 1250**

(Street)

BOSTON, MA 02116

(City)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

NewStar Financial, Inc. [NEWS]

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

02/17/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

Chairman, CEO and President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(A)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of

SEC 1474

(9-02)

Price Code V Amount (D)

Common

Stock, par 02/17/2017 value \$0.01 per share

31,027 (1)

\$0 1,629,494

D

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transacti	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title Amount		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of	(Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

Officer Other Director 10% Owner

Conway Timothy J C/O NEWSTAR FINANCIAL, INC. 500 BOYLSTON STREET, SUITE 1250 BOSTON, MA 02116

X

Chairman, CEO and President

Signatures

/s/ John K. Bray as 02/22/2017 attorney-in-fact

**Signature of Reporting 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).
- The securities reported are shares of restricted stock which will vest in three substantially equal installments on each of the next three anniversaries of the grant date (February 17, 2017).

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