Bankwell Financial Group, Inc.

Form 4

March 28, 2016

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Lampert Todd

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

Bankwell Financial Group, Inc.

(Check all applicable)

[BWFG]

03/24/2016

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

_X__ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O BANKWELL FINANCIAL GROUP, INC., 220 ELM STREET

(Street)

(State)

(Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

NEW CANAAN, CT 06840

(City)

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

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) Common Stock (1)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	omr Dispo (Instr. 3,	esed of 4 and (A) or		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 (2)						333	D	
Common Stock	03/24/2016	S	1,500	D	\$ 19.6721	16,745	D	
Common Stock	03/24/2016	M	1,500	A	\$ 16	1,500	D	
Common Stock						3,898	I	Custodian for Minor

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{Common} \\ \text{Stock} \end{array} \hspace{1cm} 9{,}499 \hspace{1cm} \text{I} \hspace{1cm} \begin{array}{c} \text{Held by} \\ \text{Wife} \end{array}$

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)	5. Number on 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	\$ 16	03/24/2016		M V	1,500	03/29/2006	03/29/2016	Common Stock	1,500
Stock Options	\$ 17.5					12/13/2006	12/13/2016	Common Stock	4,125
Stock Options	\$ 20.7					12/12/2007	12/12/2017	Common Stock	3,871
Stock Options	\$ 20.7					12/12/2007	12/12/2017	Common Stock	1,456

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Lampert Todd C/O BANKWELL FINANCIAL GROUP, INC. 220 ELM STREET NEW CANAAN, CT 06840

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/s/ Todd Lampert by POA

03/28/2016

**Signature of Reporting
Person

a currently valid OMB number.

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).
- 1,400 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, 700 Shares have vested.
- 1,000 shares of restricted stock granted pursuant to the 2012 Bankwell Financial Group, Inc. Stock Plan. The shares vest in three
 (2) substantially equal installments the first immediately on December 15, 2014 and then on each of December 3, 2015 and December 3, 2016. As of the Transaction Date, 667 Shares have vested.
- (3) Stock Options granted pursuant to the 2002 Bank Management, Director and Founder Stock Option Plan, all of which are fully vested.
- (4) Stock Options granted pursuant to the 2006 Stock Option Plan, all of which are fully vested.
- (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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