

WOLFE HARRIET MUNRETT
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
WOLFE HARRIET MUNRETT

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)
WEBSTER PLAZA
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/20/2005

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 EVP/General Counsel

WATERBURY, CT 06702

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Amount or Price			
Common Stock	12/20/2005		A	V	1,095	A \$ 0 5,280	D	
Common Stock						686	I	ESOP
Common Stock						763	I	ESPP
Common Stock						1,083	I	401 (k) plan

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 (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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 22.81					10/23/2003 10/23/2010	Common Stock	3,650
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 24.625					12/07/2002 12/07/2009	Common Stock	1,300
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 26.5					12/17/2001 12/17/2008	Common Stock	2,550
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 29.84					12/17/2004 12/17/2011	Common Stock	3,650
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 31.75					12/15/2000 12/15/2007	Common Stock	2,400
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 34.6					12/16/2003 12/16/2012	Common Stock	5,118
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 45.55					12/15/2004 12/15/2013	Common Stock	5,135

buy)									
Stock									
Options	\$ 47.4	12/20/2005		A	4,041	12/20/2006	12/20/2015	Common	4,041
(Right to								Stock	
buy)									
Stock									
Options	\$ 49.62					12/20/2005	12/20/2014	Common	4,881
(Right to								Stock	
buy)									

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WOLFE HARRIET MUNRETT WEBSTER PLAZA WATERBURY, CT 06702			EVP/General Counsel	

Signatures

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Atty. 12/22/2005

__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) 4 yr. incremental vesting - 25% vests each year for 4 years

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