

WEBSTER FINANCIAL CORP  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
 SAVAGE JOSEPH J

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)  
 12/19/2006

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 EVP-Commercial Banking

WATERBURY, CT 06702

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	12/19/2006		A		2,449	A \$ 0 15,809	D	
Common Stock						1,156	I	ESPP
Common Stock						1,266	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 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)	\$ 34.6					12/16/2003	12/16/2012	Common Stock	12,121
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 45.55					12/15/2004	12/15/2013	Common Stock	11,004
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 47.4					12/20/2006	12/20/2015	Common Stock	8,131
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 48.88	12/19/2006		A	10,079	12/19/2007	12/19/2016	Common Stock	10,079
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 49.62					12/20/2005	12/20/2014	Common Stock	10,165
Stock Option	\$ 38.17					04/24/2005	04/24/2012	Common Stock	9,375

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
SAVAGE JOSEPH J WEBSTER PLAZA WATERBURY, CT 06702	EVP-Commercial Banking

## Signatures

Renee P. Seefried by Power of  
Atty.

12/21/2006

\_\_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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