

FISHER STEVEN G
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FISHER STEVEN G (Last) (First) (Middle) 100 LIBERTY STREET (Street) WARREN, PA 16365 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 12/18/2009	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Northwest Bancshares, Inc. [NWBI]	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below) Exec. V.P., Banking Services	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	87,028.41	D	^
Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	3,394	I	Custodian for Son #1
Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	2,580.83	I	Custodian for Son #2
Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	45,785.15	I	401-K
Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	17,303.37	I	ESOP

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	08/21/2002	08/21/2012	Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	11,475	\$ 5.91	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	08/20/2003	08/20/2013	Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	11,475	\$ 7.37	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	12/15/2004	12/15/2014	Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	11,475	\$ 11.33	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	01/19/2006	01/19/2015	Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	10,125	\$ 10.19	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	01/18/2007	01/18/2016	Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	10,125	\$ 9.86	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	02/18/2010	02/18/2020	Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	12,937.5	\$ 11.51	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	01/17/2008	01/17/2017	Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	12,937.5	\$ 11.12	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	01/16/2009	01/16/2018	Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	12,937.5	\$ 9.79	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	11/19/2009	11/19/2018	Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	12,937.5	\$ 7.48	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FISHER STEVEN G 100 LIBERTY STREET WARREN, PA 16365	Â	Â	Â Exec. V.P., Banking Services	Â

Signatures

Steven G. Fisher

12/18/2009

 Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).

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