

WASHINGTON FEDERAL INC

Form 4

October 27, 2015

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
WHITEHEAD ROY M

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
WASHINGTON FEDERAL INC
[WAFD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
425 PIKE ST

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
10/26/2015

☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)
Chairman, President & CEO

SEATTLE, WA 98101

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 (A) or (D) Price		
Common Stock	10/26/2015		M		20,000 A \$ 22.91 (1)	357,914	D
Common Stock	10/26/2015		S		20,000 D \$ (2) 24.9159	337,194	D
Common Stock	10/27/2015		A		70,000 A \$ 24.81	407,194	D
Common Stock						17,738	I By 401(k)

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
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.91	10/26/2015		M		20,000		02/13/2006	02/13/2016	Common Stock	20,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
WHITEHEAD ROY M 425 PIKE ST SEATTLE, WA 98101	X Chairman, President & CEO

Signatures

Arian Colachis,
Attorney-in-Fact 10/27/2015

__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).

- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$24.91 to \$24.96. The price reported above reflects the
- (1) weighted-average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the Issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.
- (2) Restricted and Performance-based stock grants vest beginning October 31, 2016 as follows: 28,000 shares ratably over three years and 42,000 shares ratably over three years based on certain performance criteria related to total shareholder return.

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