

WEBSTER FINANCIAL CORP  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
SMITH JAMES COPENHAVER

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O WEBSTER FINANCIAL CORP, 145 BANK STREET

(Street)

WATERBURY, CT 06702

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
WEBSTER FINANCIAL CORP [WBS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
08/20/2007

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Chairman & Chief Executive Off

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

**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)
			Code	V	Amount or Price (A) or (D)		
Common Stock	08/20/2007		S <sup>(1)</sup>		800	D	
					\$ 43.21		66,726
Common Stock	08/20/2007		S <sup>(1)</sup>		300	D	
					\$ 43.24		66,426
Common Stock	08/20/2007		S <sup>(1)</sup>		400	D	
					\$ 43.27		66,026
Common Stock	08/20/2007		S <sup>(1)</sup>		200	D	
					\$ 43.28		65,826
Common Stock	08/20/2007		S <sup>(1)</sup>		200	D	
					\$ 43.29		65,626

Common Stock	08/20/2007	S <sup>(1)</sup>	200	D	\$ 43.3	65,426	D	
Common Stock	08/20/2007	S <sup>(1)</sup>	200	D	\$ 43.31	65,226	D	
Common Stock	08/20/2007	S <sup>(1)</sup>	700	D	\$ 43.32	64,526	D	
Common Stock						111,000 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	by Grantor Retained Annuity Trust

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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Beneficially (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SMITH JAMES COPENHAVER C/O WEBSTER FINANCIAL CORP 145 BANK STREET WATERBURY, CT 06702	X		Chairman & Chief Executive Off	

## Signatures

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of Atty

08/21/2007

\_\_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) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on July 27, 2007.
- (2) These shares were previously reported as directly beneficially owned, but were contributed to a grantor retained annuity trust on May 11, 2007.

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