

WEBSTER FINANCIAL CORP
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FORM 5

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ANNUAL 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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Plush Gerald P

 (Last) (First) (Middle)

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

 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)
12/31/2007

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)
 ___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
Sr.EVP - Chief Financial Off

C/O WEBSTER FINANCIAL CORP, 145 BANK STREET
 (Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting
 (check applicable line)

WATERBURY, CT 06702
 (City) (State) (Zip)

Form Filed by One Reporting Person
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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 at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) Amount or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | ^ | ^ | ^ | ^ ^ ^ | 2,876 | D | ^ |
| Common Stock | ^ | ^ | ^ | ^ ^ ^ | 485 ⁽¹⁾ | I | ESPP |

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) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| | | | | | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Option | \$ 47.81 | Â | Â | Â | Â Â | 07/05/2007 ⁽²⁾ 07/05/2016 | Common Stock 10,612 |
| Stock Option | \$ 48.88 | Â | Â | Â | Â Â | 12/19/2007 ⁽²⁾ 12/19/2016 | Common Stock 17,340 |
| Stock Option | \$ 32.03 | Â | Â | Â | Â Â | 12/18/2008 ⁽²⁾ 12/18/2017 | Common Stock 28,970 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Plush Gerald P C/O WEBSTER FINANCIAL CORP 145 BANK STREET WATERBURY,Â CTÂ 06702 | Â | Â | Â Sr.EVP - Chief Financial Off | Â |

Signatures

Renee P Seefried by Power of Attorney 02/13/2008

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Between January 1, 2007 and December 31, 2007, the reporting person acquired 485 shares of Webster common stock under the Webster ESPP.

(2) 4 yr. incremental vesting - 25% vests each year for 4 years.

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