WEBSTER FINANCIAL CORP

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SMITH JAMES COPENHAVER			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WEBSTER FINANCIAL CORP [WBS]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) C/O WEBSTE CORP, 145 BA			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/26/2009	_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman & Chief Executive Off		
WATERBUR	(Street) Y, CT 06702	2	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	ble I - Non	-Derivativ	e Secu	ırities Acqı	uired, Disposed	of, or Benefic	ially 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. Securit owr Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of (` ′	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)
Common Stock	02/26/2009		P	21,481	A	\$ 4.2272 (1)	160,806	D	
Common Stock	02/27/2009		P	10,200	A	\$ 3.9176 (2)	171,006	D	
Common Stock	03/02/2009		P	14,319	A	\$ 3.75	185,325	D	
Common Stock							111,000	I	By Grantor Retained

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								Annuity Trust
Common Stock						99,147	I	401(k)/ESOP
Common Stock						32,997	I	Directly by Spouse
Common Stock						5,698	I	Directly by Spouse IRA
Common Stock	02/26/2009	P	31,500	A	\$ 4.128 (3)	41,046	I	Custody for Children
Common Stock	02/27/2009	P	5,000	A	\$ 3.824 (4)	46,046	I	Custody for Children
Common Stock	03/02/2009	P	17,500	A	\$ 3.7352 (5)	63,546	I	Custody for Children

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 24.625					12/07/2002	12/07/2009	Common Stock	44,700
Stock Option	\$ 22.81					10/23/2003	10/23/2010	Common Stock	247,925
Stock Option	\$ 29.84					12/17/2004	12/17/2011	Common Stock	61,975
Stock Option	\$ 34.6					12/16/2003(6)	12/16/2012	Common Stock	62,525
	\$ 45.55					12/15/2004(6)	12/15/2013		65,728

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Stock Option				Common Stock	
Option				Stock	
Stock Option	\$ 49.62	12/20/2005(6)	12/20/2014	Common Stock	60,707
Stock Option	\$ 47.4	12/20/2006(6)	12/20/2015	Common Stock	47,182
Stock Option	\$ 48.88	12/19/2007 <u>(6)</u>	12/19/2016	Common Stock	64,483
Stock Option	\$ 32.03	12/18/2008(6)	12/18/2017	Common Stock	106,199
Stock Option	\$ 12.85	12/16/2009(6)	12/16/2018	Common Stock	213,674
Phantom Stock	<u>(7)</u>	<u>(8)</u>	(8)	Common Stock	45,822

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
1	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

Renee P. Seefried by Power of Attorney 03/02/2009

**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 reporting person purchased 21,481 shares of Webster Common Stock at prices ranging from \$3.91 to \$4.25. Full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price will be provided upon request.
- (2) The reporting person purchased 10,200 shares of Webster Common Stock at prices ranging from \$3.80 to \$3.92. Full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price will be provided upon request.
- (3) The reporting person purchased 31,500 shares of Webster Common Stock at prices ranging from \$3.90 to \$4.25. Full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price will be provided upon request.
- (4) The reporting person purchased 5,000 shares of Webster Common Stock at prices ranging from \$3.80 to \$3.90. Full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price will be provided upon request.
- (5) The reporting person purchased 17,500 shares of Webster Common Stock at prices ranging from \$3.68 to \$3.75. Full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price will be provided upon request.
- (6) 4 yr. incremental vesting 25% vests each year for 4 years.

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- (7) Each share of phantom stock represents the right to receive one share of Webster Financial Corporation common stock or the cash value thereof. These shares are held in the Webster Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (8) Shares of phantom stock are payable in shares or in cash following termination of the reporting person's employment with Webster Financial Corporation.

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