

LARocca GREGORY C
 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 *
 LARocca GREGORY C

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 100 LIBERTY STREET
 (Street)

WARREN, PA 16365

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Northwest Bancshares, Inc. [NWBI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 12/01/2010

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)
 Exec. V.P., Invest/Trust Serv.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 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 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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price | | | |
| Northwest Bancshares, Inc. | 12/01/2010 | 12/01/2010 | X | 9,675 A \$ 4.35 | 143,601.38 | D | |
| Northwest Bancshares, Inc. | 12/01/2010 | 12/01/2010 | X | 6,500 A \$ 5.91 | 150,101.38 | D | |
| Northwest Bancshares, Inc. | | | | | 7,929 | I | IRA |
| Northwest Bancshares, | | | | | 5,976 | I | Wife's IRA |

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| Inc. | | | | |
| Northwest Bancshares, Inc. | 66,634.64 | I | 401-K | |
| Northwest Bancshares, Inc. | 29,000.3 | 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 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 |
| Option Plan (Right to Buy) | \$ 4.35 | 12/01/2010 | 12/01/2010 | X | 9,675 | 10/18/2001 10/17/2011 | Northwest Bancshares, Inc. | 9,675 | |
| Option Plan (Right to Buy) | \$ 5.91 | 12/01/2010 | 12/01/2010 | X | 6,500 | 08/21/2002 08/21/2012 | Northwest Bancshares, Inc. | 11,475 | |
| Option Plan (Right to Buy) | \$ 7.37 | | | | | 08/20/2003 08/20/2013 | Northwest Bancshares, Inc. | 11,475 | |
| Option Plan (Right to Buy) | \$ 11.33 | | | | | 12/15/2004 12/15/2014 | Northwest Bancshares, Inc. | 11,475 | |
| Option Plan | \$ 10.19 | | | | | 01/19/2006 01/19/2015 | Northwest Bancshares, | 10,125 | |

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| (Right to Buy) | | | | | | Inc. | |
| Option Plan (Right to Buy) | \$ 9.86 | | 01/18/2007 | 01/18/2016 | | Northwest Bancshares, Inc. | 10,125 |
| Option Plan (Right to Buy) | \$ 11.51 | | 01/17/2008 | 01/17/2017 | | Northwest Bancshares, Inc. | 12,937 |
| Option Plan (Right to Buy) | \$ 11.12 | | 01/16/2009 | 01/16/2018 | | Northwest Bancshares, Inc. | 12,937 |
| Option Plan (Right to Buy) | \$ 9.79 | | 11/19/2009 | 11/19/2018 | | Northwest Bancshares, Inc. | 12,937 |
| Option Plan (Right to Buy) | \$ 7.48 | | 02/18/2010 | 02/18/2020 | | Northwest Bancshares, Inc. | 12,937 |
| Option Plan (Right to Buy) | \$ 11.49 | | 01/20/2011 | 01/20/2020 | | Northwest Bancshares, Inc. | 13,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| LAROCCA GREGORY C 100 LIBERTY STREET WARREN, PA 16365 | | | Exec. V.P., Invest/Trust Serv. | |

Signatures

Gregory C.
LaRocca

12/02/2010

**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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