Northwest Bancshares, Inc.

Form 4

May 23, 2014

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION **OMB** 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading KING A PAUL Issuer Symbol Northwest Bancshares, Inc. [NWBI] (Check all applicable)

(Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title 100 LIBERTY STREET 05/21/2014 below) (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

WARREN, PA 16365

(First)

(Middle)

(Last)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Ow	(Zip)	(State)	(City)

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)	or(A) or Di	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownershi Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	(insti. 1)
Northwest Bancshares, Inc. Common Stock	05/21/2014	05/21/2014	A	2,700 (1)	A	\$ 13.22	63,942.37 (2)	D	
Northwest Bancshares, Inc. Common Stock							4,005	I	Wife
Northwest Bancshares, Inc. Common Stock							28,695	I	IRA

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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)	Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)		6. Date Exercise Expiration Date (Month/Day/Y	e	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8. D S (I
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options (Right to	\$ 13.15	05/21/2014	05/21/2014	A	7,200 (3)	05/21/2014	05/21/2024	Common Stock	7,200	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
KING A PAUL						
100 LIBERTY STREET	X					
WARREN PA 16365						

Signatures

Buy)

A. Paul King 05/23/2014

**Signature of 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) One tenth of this grant of RRP shares will vest each year beginning May 21, 2014 and on each May 21st thereafter through May 21, 2023.
- (2) Reflects transactions not required to be reported pursuant to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.
- One tenth of this grant of stock options will vest each year beginning May 21, 2014 and on each May 21st thereafter through May 21, 2023.

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