

Northwest Bancshares, Inc.
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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 McTavish Julia W
 (Last) (First) (Middle)

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

100 LIBERTY STREET
 (Street)

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)
 12/31/2016

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 EVP Human Resources

WARREN, PA 16365
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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

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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)	(A) or (D)	Price	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	^	^	^	^	^	^	51,803.794	D	^
Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	^	^	^	^	^	^	0 ⁽¹⁾	I	Custodian For Daughter
Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	^	^	^	^	^	^	29,447.592 ⁽²⁾	I	401-K

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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)	Amount or Number of Shares
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		
Option Plan (Right to Buy)	\$ 7.48	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	02/18/2010	02/18/2019	Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	9,810
Option Plan (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.49	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	01/20/2011	01/20/2020	Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	9,000
Option Plan (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.12	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	01/19/2012	01/19/2021	Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	9,000
Option Plan (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.32	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	05/18/2012	05/18/2021	Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	47,000
Option Plan (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.7	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	05/23/2013	05/23/2022	Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	12,480
Option Plan (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.44	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	05/15/2014	05/15/2023	Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	12,480
Option Plan (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.15	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	05/21/2014	05/21/2024	Northwest Bancshares, Inc.	12,480

