

Frishkopf John J
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Frishkopf John J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O NEWSTAR FINANCIAL,
INC., 500 BOYLSTON STREET,
SUITE 1250

(Street)

BOSTON, MA 02116

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
NewStar Financial, Inc. [NEWS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/11/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
Treasurer, Assistant Secretary

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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 | | 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|---------------------|---|---|------------|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | | | |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 09/14/2012 | | G | V | 1,000 | D | \$ 0 475,224 | D | |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 12/03/2012 | | G | V | 1,250 | D | \$ 0 473,974 | D | |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 | 12/07/2012 | | G | V | 1,000 | D | \$ 0 472,974 | D | |

per share

Common
Stock, par
value \$0.01 12/11/2012 F 27,313
(1) D \$ 445,661 D
per share

Common
Stock, par
value \$0.01 1,000 I By Spouse
per share

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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Frishkopf John J C/O NEWSTAR FINANCIAL, INC. 500 BOYLSTON STREET, SUITE 1250 BOSTON, MA 02116 | | | Treasurer, Assistant Secretary | |

Signatures

/s/ John K. Bray as attorney-in-fact 12/13/2012

**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) Represents a portion of shares of restricted stock previously granted by the Issuer that were forfeited to pay withholding taxes upon vesting on December 11, 2012.

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