

NewStar Financial, Inc.  
Form 4  
March 18, 2014

**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Conway Timothy 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)

03/17/2014

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)

Chairman, CEO and President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)                    | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired<br>or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Common<br>Stock, par<br>value \$0.01<br>per share<br>(1) | 03/17/2014                              |                                                             | X                                       | 21,789<br>(1)                                                       | A \$ 10.9<br>(1)                                                                                                   | 1,163,705                                                            | D                                                                 |
| Common<br>Stock, par<br>value \$0.01<br>per share        | 03/17/2014                              |                                                             | F                                       | 15,919                                                              | D \$<br>14.92                                                                                                      | 1,147,786                                                            | D                                                                 |

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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                     |                                                                    |                                         |                                                             | Code                                 | V (A) (D)                                                                                                    | Date<br>Exercisable<br>Expiration<br>Date                      | Title<br>Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares                        |
| Warrant<br>(Right to<br>Buy)                        | \$ 10.9 <sup>(1)</sup>                                             | 03/17/2014                              |                                                             | X                                    | 21,789<br><sup>(1)</sup>                                                                                     | 06/18/2004 06/18/2014                                          | Common<br>Stock <sup>(1)</sup> 21,789<br><sup>(1)</sup>             |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                                                         | Relationships |           |                             |       |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|
|                                                                                                        | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                     | Other |
| Conway Timothy J<br>C/O NEWSTAR FINANCIAL, INC.<br>500 BOYLSTON STREET, SUITE 1250<br>BOSTON, MA 02116 | X             |           | Chairman, CEO and President |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Daniel K. Crowley as  
attorney-in-fact

03/18/2014

\*\*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).

The warrant, which was initially issued for 23,750 shares of the Issuer's Series A Preferred Stock at an exercise price of \$10.00 per share, currently represents a warrant for 21,789 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock at an exercise price of \$10.90 per share. The revised (1) warrant terms reflect (i) the conversion of the Series A Convertible Preferred Stock into Common Stock at a conversion ratio of 2.276012305 to 1, which conversion occurred automatically on December 13, 2006 in connection with the Issuer's initial public offering and (ii) the 1-for-2.4808 reverse split of the Issuer's Common Stock effective December 19, 2006.

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