Bankwell Financial Group, Inc.

Form 4

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# 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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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Lampert Todd		orting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Bankwell Financial Group, Inc. [BWFG]	Issuer	Reporting Person(s) to c all applicable)
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	_X_ Director	10% Owner

(Month/Day/Year)

03/22/2017

C/O BANKWELL FINANCIAL GROUP, INC., 220 ELM STREET

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Filed(Month/Day/Year)

NEW CANAAN, CT 06840

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Officer (give title

below)

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	rities Acqu	iired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficia	ally Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securor(A) or D (Instr. 3,	(A)	ed of (D)	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)
Common Stock							350	D (1)	
Common Stock							28,427	D (2)	
Common Stock							1,000	D (3)	
Common Stock	03/22/2017		S	264	D	\$ 31.72	3,634	I	Custodian for Minor
Common Stock	03/22/2017		S	817	D	\$ 31.73	2,817	I	Custodian for Minor

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Common Stock	03/23/2017	S	1,000	D	\$ 30.758	1,817	I	Custoidan for Minor
Common Stock	03/23/2017	S	817	D	\$ 30.28	1,000	I	Custodian for Minor
Common Stock	03/24/2017	S	1,000	D	\$ 30.51	0	I	Custodian of Minor

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	8	te	7. Title and Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8. Prio Deriv Secur (Instr.
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Options	\$ 20.7					12/12/2007	12/12/2017	Common Stock	3,871	
Stock Options	\$ 20.7					12/12/2007	12/12/2017	Common Stock	1,456	

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

Lampert Todd C/O BANKWELL FINANCIAL GROUP, INC. 220 ELM STREET NEW CANAAN, CT 06840

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### **Signatures**

/s/ Todd Lampert by POA

03/24/2017

\*\*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).
- 1,400 shares of restricted stock granted pursuant to the 2012 BNC Financial Group, Inc. Stock Plan and will vest in four equal annual installments of 25%, with the first installment to vest on November 5, 2014 and an additional 25% to vest on each annual anniversary of the grant date thereafter. As of the Transaction Date, 1,050 Shares have vested.
- (2) 9,499 of Shares reported are owned jointly with Spouse.
  - 1,000 shares of restricted stock granted on January 10, 2017, pursuant to the 2012 Bankwell Financial Group, Inc. Stock Plan and will
- (3) vest in two equal annual installments of 500 shares, with the first installment to vest on December 29, 2017 and the remaining 500 shares to vest on December 31, 2018.
- (4) Stock Options granted pursuant to the 2007 Bank of New Canaan Stock Option Equity Award Plan, all of which are fully vested.

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