DeWyngaert Heidi Form 4 April 09, 2019

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

Washington, D.C. 20549

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obligations

SECURITIES Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,

may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DeWyngaert Heidi

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

NEW CANAAN, CT 06840

Stock

(Street)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

Bankwell Financial Group, Inc. [BWFG]

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

04/08/2019

4. If Amendment, Date Original

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title _ __ Other (specify below)

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(City)	(State) (2	Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	ecuri	ties Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any	Code	4. Securities on Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Code V	(Instr. 3, 4)	(A) or (D)	5) Price	Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock							1,260	D (1)	
Common Stock							994	D (1)	
Common Stock	04/08/2019		S	1,500 (2)	D	\$ 30	58,371	D (3)	
Common Stock							1,000	D (4)	
Common							1.500	D (4)	

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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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8. Pri Deriv Secur (Instr

1,500

Stock

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

	1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exercis	sable and	7. Title and A	Amount of	9
	Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any	Transac	tionNumber	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)]
	Security	or Exercise			Code	of					,
	(Instr. 3) Price of			(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Derivative	e				(
		Derivative				Securities	1				
		Security				Acquired					
						(A) or					
						Disposed					
						of (D)					
						(Instr. 3,					
						4, and 5)					
										Amount	
										or	
							Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Number	
										of	
					Code	V (A) (D)				Shares	
					Code	(11) (D)				Silaics	
	Stock								C		
									Common		

Reporting Owners

\$ 12.64

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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

EVP & CLO

06/23/2014 06/23/2019

Signatures

/s/ Heidi

Options

(5)

DeWyngaert 04/09/2019

**Signature of Person Date

Reporting Person

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) 18,000 shares of Bankwell Financial Group, Inc. stock granted pursuant to the 2012 Bankwell Financial Group, Inc. Stock Plan. 6,300 of those shares are restricted stock that will vest in five equal annual installments of 20%, with the first installment to vest on December 1, 2015 and an additional 20% to vest on each annual anniversary of the vesting date thereafter. As of the Transaction Date, 5,040 Shares have fully vested. 3,978 of those shares are restricted stock that will vest in four equal annual installments of 25%, with the first

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installment to vest on December 1, 2016 and an additional 25% to vest on each annual anniversary of the vesting date thereafter. As of the Transaction Date, 2,984 Shares have fully vested. 7,722 of those shares are performance restricted stock and may vest when and if the performance goals are achieved, but in any event no later than December 1, 2019. As of the Transaction Date, all 7,722 Performance Shares have vested.

- (2) The sale reported in this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person.
- (3) Of the Shares reported, 58,013 Shares are owned jointly with spouse.
 - 3,000 shares of Bankwell Financial Group, Inc. stock granted pursuant to the 2012 Bankwell Financial Group, Inc. Stock Plan. 1,500 of those shares are restricted stock that will vest in three substantially equal annual installments, with the first installment to vest on
- (4) February 7, 2019 and the second and third installments to vest on each annual anniversary of the vesting date thereafter. As of the Transaction Date, 500 Shares have vested. 1,500 of those shares are performance restricted stock and may vest when and if the performance goal is achieved.
- (5) 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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