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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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Bankwell Financial Group, Inc.

(Check all applicable)

[BWFG]

(Last)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

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

(Street)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

05/11/2018

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

NEW CANAAN, CT 06840

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Ow								
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)	omr Dispo (Instr. 3,	osed of , 4 and (A) or		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							500	D (1)		
Common Stock							15,447	D (2)		
Common Stock							1,000	D (3)		
Common Stock	05/11/2018		P	200	A	\$ 30.6886	8,608	I	IRA	
Common Stock	05/11/2018		P	200	A	\$ 30.6877	9,699	I	Spouse's IRA	

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9
		Conversion or Exercise Price of	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	TransactionNumber		Expiration Date		Amount of		Derivative	J
					Code	of	(Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Security	,	
(Instr. 3)	(Instr. 8)				Derivative	(Instr. 5)]		
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						Date	Expiration		or			
							Exercisable	Date	Title	Number		
									of			
					Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

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

X

Signatures

/s/ Todd Lampert by POA 05/15/2018

**Signature of Reporting Date
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).
- 1,000 shares of restricted stock granted on January 10, 2017, pursuant to the 2012 Bankwell Financial Group, Inc. Stock Plan and will 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. As of the Transaction Date, 500 Shares have vested.
- (2) 500 Shares of restricted stock granted on April 28, 2017, pursuant to the 2012 Bankwell Financial Group, Inc. Stock Plan which will fully vest on April 28, 2018. As of the Transaction Date, all shares have fully vested.
- (3) 1,000 shares of restricted stock granted on March 22, 2018, pursuant to the 2012 Bankwell Financial Group, Inc. Stock Plan and will vest in four equal annual installments of 25%, with the first installment to vest on February 7, 2019 and an additional 25% to vest on each

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annual anniversary of the vesting date thereafter.

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