

Bankwell Financial Group, Inc.  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
Gruseke Christopher

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Bankwell Financial Group, Inc.  
[BWFG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/13/2015

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
President & CEO

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

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

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

NEW CANAAN, CT 06840

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 (Instr. 8)	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>					14,000	D	
Common Stock					33,625	I	Joint with Wife
Common Stock	03/13/2015		P	100 A	\$ 18.67 100	I	Joint with Wife
Common Stock	03/13/2015		P	100 A	\$ 18.69 100	I	Joint with Wife
Common Stock	03/13/2015		P	400 A	\$ 18.68 400	I	Joint with Wife

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Common Stock	03/13/2015	P	400	A	\$ 18.7	400	I	Joint with Wife
Common Stock	03/13/2015	P	100	A	\$ 18.71	100	I	Joint with Wife
Common Stock	03/13/2015	P	301	A	\$ 18.7	301	I	Joint with Wife
Common Stock	03/13/2015	P	283	A	\$ 18.72	283	I	Joint with Wife
Common Stock	03/13/2015	P	316	A	\$ 18.8	316	I	Joint with Wife
Common Stock	03/13/2015	P	800	A	\$ 18.85	800	I	Joint with Wife
Common Stock	03/13/2015	P	200	A	\$ 18.84	200	I	Joint with Wife

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. Pr Deriv Secur (Instr. 3)	
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V (A) (D)		
Warrants <u>(1)</u>	\$ 14					10/01/2015	12/01/2015	Common Stock	4,509

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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

President & CEO

## Signatures

/s/ Christopher Gruseke  
by POA

03/17/2015

\_\_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) Each Unit consists of one share of Common Stock and an attached Warrant which gives the Reporting Person the right to purchase .3221 shares of the Company's Common Stock at \$14.00 per share once exercised. The exercise period for the Warrants is currently set for October 1, 2015 though December 1, 2015. The associated Common Stock is disclosed in Table I, and the associated Warrants in Table II.

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