

BESSETTE STEPHEN M
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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
BESSETTE STEPHEN M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
WASHINGTON TRUST
BANCORP INC [WASH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
11 COBLEIGH STREET
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
08/20/2009

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP Retail Lending

CHARLESTOWN, RI 02813

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

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	08/20/2009		S	300 D \$ 18.8	3,371.498	D	
Common Stock	08/20/2009		S	226 D \$ 18.76	3,145.498	D	
Common Stock	08/20/2009		S	101 D \$ 18.77	3,044.498	D	
Common Stock	08/20/2009		S	200 D \$ 18.78	2,844.498	D	
Common Stock	08/20/2009		S	44 D \$ 18.81	2,800.498	D	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BESSETTE STEPHEN M 11 COBLEIGH STREET CHARLESTOWN, RI 02813			EVP Retail Lending	

Signatures

/s/ David V. Devault,
Attorney-in-Fact

08/21/2009

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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