

WASHINGTON TRUST BANCORP INC
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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 *
HIRSCH LARRY J

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)

8 PEEP TOAD ROAD

(Street)

WESTERLY, RI 02891

(City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 04/14/2008

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

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| Common Stock | 04/14/2008 | | A | 600 | A \$ 0 | 13,024.9947 (1) | D |

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)

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| 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. Price of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$ 17.85 | | | | | 04/24/2002 04/24/2011 | Common Stock | 1,000 |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$ 19.5 | | | | | 04/27/2000 04/27/2009 | Common Stock | 1,688 |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$ 20.23 | | | | | 04/23/2003 04/23/2012 | Common Stock | 2,000 |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$ 20.62 | | | | | 04/29/2006 04/29/2013 | Common Stock | 2,000 |
| Stock Options (Right to buy) | \$ 27.56 | | | | | 04/27/2007 04/27/2014 | Common Stock | 2,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| HIRSCH LARRY J 8 PEEP TOAD ROAD WESTERLY, RI 02891 | X | | | |

Signatures

David V. Devault EVP, Secretary, Treasurer,
CFO-POA 04/15/2008

__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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(1) Balance reflects acquisitions pursuant to dividend reinvestments exempt from Form 4 reporting under Rule 16a-11.

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