

WEBSTER FINANCIAL CORP
Form 8-K
January 05, 2011

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 5, 2011

WEBSTER FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-31486
(Commission
File Number)

06-1187536
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

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Webster Plaza, Waterbury, Connecticut
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (203) 578-2202

06702
(Zip code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- .. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On January 5, 2011, Webster Financial Corporation (the Corporation), the holding company for Webster Bank, N.A. (the Bank), announced that Gerald P. Plush, Senior Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, has been promoted to Vice Chairman and Chief Operating Officer of the Corporation and the Bank, effective immediately.

Biographical information with respect to Mr. Plush is contained in the Corporation's definitive proxy statement for the 2010 annual meeting of shareholders filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC) on March 19, 2010 and is incorporated herein by reference. Mr. Plush currently has a change of control agreement and a non-competition agreement with the Corporation, each previously filed with the SEC as an exhibit to the Corporation's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2009.

A copy of the press release announcing the promotion of Mr. Plush is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

| Exhibit No. | Description |
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| 99.1 | Press release dated January 5, 2011. |

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

WEBSTER FINANCIAL CORPORATION

By: /s/ Jeffrey N. Brown
Jeffrey N. Brown
Executive Vice President and Chief Administrative
Officer

Date: January 5, 2011

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