BROWER LINDA S

Form 4

December 14, 2005

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

BROWER LINDA S S			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WASHINGTON FEDERAL INC [WFSL]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (M	(3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/13/2005				Director X Officer (give below)		Owner or (specify		
(City)	(Street)		Filed(Mont	dment, Dai			itios A agr	6. Individual or Jo Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by O Form filed by M Person lired, Disposed of	One Reporting Per Lore than One Rep	rson porting	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deeme	ed Date, if	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit n(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	ties A	cquired d of (D) 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	
Common Stock	12/13/2005			A	3,500 (1)	A	\$ 23.88	15,235 <u>(2)</u>	D		

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	ofNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			Amou Under Securi (Instr.	rlying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1 6	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
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			EVP				

Signatures

Linda S. Brower 12/14/2005

**Signature of Person Date

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- * 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) Represents a stock grant that vests ratably over 7 years
- (2) Ms. Brower also owns 2,237 shares indirectly through the profit sharing retirement plan.

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