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WASHINGTON FEDERAL INC

Form 8-K January 17, 2014

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 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 15, 2014

Washington Federal, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Washington 001-34654 91-1661606
(State or other jurisdiction (Commission (IRS Employer of incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

425 Pike Street, Seattle, Washington 98101

(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (206) 624-7930

Not Applicable

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

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- o 240.14d-2(b))
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- o 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 5.07 Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

The Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Washington Federal, Inc. was held on January 15, 2014. The three items voted upon by shareholders included 1) the election of three directors for a three-year term and to continue until their successors are elected and qualified, 2) a non-binding, advisory vote on the compensation of Washington Federal Named Executive Officers and 3) the ratification of the appointment of Deloitte & Touche LLP as the independent registered public accountants for fiscal 2014.

The results of the voting were as follows:

| | Votes Cast | | Votes | Total |
|------------------------------|------------|---------|----------|------------|
| | For | Against | Withheld | Votes Cast |
| Election of Directors | | | | |
| Three-year term: | | | | |
| David K. Grant | 82,063,284 | | 203,270 | 82,266,554 |
| Anna C. Johnson | 81,670,628 | | 595,926 | 82,266,554 |
| Randall H. Talbot | 82,061,630 | _ | 204,924 | 82,266,554 |
| Non-binding advisory vote on | | | | |
| executive compensation | 80,907,183 | 712,359 | | 81,619,542 |
| Abstained | | | 647,011 | 647,011 |
| | | | | 82,266,553 |
| Ratify appointment of | | | | |
| Deloitte & Touche LLP | 94,450,805 | 431,406 | 161,578 | 95,043,789 |

Based on the results above, all of the business voted upon by the shareholders was approved.

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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 thereunto duly authorized.

Date: January 17, 2014 WASHINGTON FEDERAL, INC.

By: /s/ BRENT J. BEARDALL

Brent J. Beardall

Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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