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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] GUMBLE WILLIAM C						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>NBT BANCORP INC</u> [nbtb]										5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 52 SOUTH BROAD STREET						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/02/2003											(give title		Other (below)		
(Street)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicabl Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
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NBT Ban	ncorp Inc. C	Common Stock		12/02	2/200	/2003				S		1,000	1,000 D		\$22	105,146		D			
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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. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 3)		n of Ex		Expiration	6. Date Exercisable ar Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Se (Instr. 3 and 4			8. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5) Beneficio Owned Followin Reportec Transact (Instr. 4)		e Ownershi es Form: ally Direct (D) or Indirec g (I) (Instr. 4		Beneficia Ownersh ct (Instr. 4)	
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Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$14.3492								01/28	3/2003 ⁽¹⁾	01	/28/2012	NBT Bancorj Inc. Commo Stock	1,5	500		1,500		D		
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$16.0625								01/22	2/2002 ⁽¹⁾	01	/22/2011	NBT Bancorj Inc. Commo Stock	1,5	500		1,500		D		
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$17.6008								01/01	1/2004 ⁽¹⁾	01	/01/2013	NBT Bancory Inc. Commo Stock	1,5	500		1,500		D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. Pursuant to NBT Non-Employee Director, Divisional Director and Subsidiary Director Stock Option Plan grant vests 40% for first year, 20% annually for following years.

<u>By: Michael J. Chewens,</u>	
Power of Attorney For:	
William C. Gumble	

12/03/2003

Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

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

* 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).

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