## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>CHEWENS MICHAEL J</u>						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol NBT BANCORP INC [ NBTB ]										5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner  Officer (also title Check Coscolify)						
(Last) 52 SOUT	ast) (First) (Middle)					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/02/2008											X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Senior EVP & CFO					
(Street)	CH N	Y	4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting								
(City)	(St	ate)	(Zip)													Person						
		Tab	le I - Nor			_			cqu	uired, I	Dis						Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D:				- 1		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Ĺ	Code (Inst		n Disposed		ties Acquired (A) of Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		4 and Securitie Benefici		s illy ollowing	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
										Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	•	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(	
NBT Ban	corp Inc. C	ommon Stock		01/02	/2008	/2008				F		1,979	1,979 D		\$22	2.82	9,786.773		D			
NBT Ban	corp Inc. C	ommon Stock															10,00	1.602		I ·	401k	
NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock																	2,664	2,664.951		I	NBT Bancorp ESOP	
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																					
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. Transactior Code (Instr B)		n of		Exp	Date Exer Diration D Donth/Day/	ate		7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		s Securit	Derivative Security		9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
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Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$22.1715								01/0	01/2005 <sup>(1</sup>	1) 0	1/01/2014	Ban Ir Con	BT acorp nc. nmon ock	17,01	.5		17,015	5	D		
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$22.352								01/0	01/2007 <sup>(1</sup>	1) 0	1/01/2016	Ban Ir Con	BT acorp ac. amon ock	22,00	00		22,000	)	D		
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$23.2708								01/2	20/2006 <sup>(1</sup>	0	1/20/2015	Ban Ir Con	BT acorp nc. nmon ock	17,50	)7		17,507	7	D		
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$25.762								01/0	01/2008 <sup>(1</sup>	0	1/01/2017	Ban Ir Con	BT acorp ac. amon ock	20,00	00		20,000	)	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Pursuant to NBT Bancorp Inc. 1993 Stock Option Plan grant vests 40% for first year, 20% annually for following years.

Michael J Chewens

01/03/2008

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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