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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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Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> <u>PRENTICE F SHELDON</u>			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>NBT BANCORP INC</u> [ NBTB ]		ionship of Reporting Perso all applicable) Director Officer (cities title	10% Owner			
(Last) 52 SOUTH BR	(First) OAD STREET	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/20/2013	X	Officer (give title below) EVP,General Couns	Other (specify below) sel,Sec'y			
(Street) NORWICH (City)	ORWICH NY 13815		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									

## 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of 6. Ownership Form: Direct 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction 2A. Deemed 3 7. Nature Transaction Execution Date, of Indirect Date Securities (Month/Day/Year) Beneficially if anv Code (Instr. (D) or Indirect Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) 8) Owned Following (I) (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 4) Reported (A) or (D) Transaction(s) Code v Price Amount (Instr. 3 and 4) 3,057(1) NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock 02/20/2013 Α **\$**0 18,298 D А 401k Ι NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock 1,167.327 NBT NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock 420.743 I Bancorp ESOP

## Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

	(cigi, puto, builo, warranto, optiono, convertible securities)														
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code ( 8)		n of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	<b>\$</b> 24.47							05/01/2011 <sup>(2)</sup>	05/01/2020	NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock	10,000		10,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Pursuant to NBT Bancorp Inc. Omnibus Restricted Stock Unit Agreement the grant vests 40% for first year, 20% annually for following years.

2. Pursuant to NBT Bancorp Inc. Omnibus Stock Option Agreement the grant vests 40% for first year, 20% annually for following years.

02/22/2013 F. Sheldon Prentice

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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).

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