FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

| Washington, D. | C. 20549 |
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 Instruction 1(b).

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person* LEXAL REPORTS A.M. THE PROPERTY A.M. THE PR | | | | | er Name and Ticker BANCORP 1 | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | | |
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| LEVY JEFFREY M | | | | | Diricola 1 | | 110 | , | | Director | 10% (| Owner | | | |
| | | | | 3. Date | of Earliest Transac | tion (Mo | nth/D | ay/Year) | _ X | Officer (give title below) | Other (specify below) | | | | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) | | | | | 2009 | | | | | President Com | mercial Banki | ing | | | |
| 52 SOUTH BROAD STREET | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (Street) | | | | 4. If Am | endment, Date of C | Original | Filed (| (Month/Day/Ye | 6. Indiv | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable | | | | | |
| (Street) NORWICH NY 13815 | | | | | | | | | 1 ′ | X Form filed by One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| NORWICH N1 13013 | | | | | | | | | | 1 | Form filed by Mor | , , | | | |
| (0:) | (0:) | (Zip) | | | | | | | | | Person | o man ono nop | o.ug | | |
| (City) | (State) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Table I - Nor | n-Deriva | ative S | ecurities Acqu | uired, | Disp | oosed of, c | r Bene | eficially | Owned | | | | |
| Date | | | 2. Transa Date (Month/D | | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Disposed Of 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | 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 Bancorp Ir | nc. Common | Stock | | | | | | | | | 7,450 | D | | | |
| NBT Bancorp Ir | nc. Common | Stock | | | | | | | | | 1,391.885 | I | 401k | | |
| NRT Bancorn Ir | nc Common | Stock | | | | | | | | | 48.96 | , | NBT Bancorn | | |

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount 8. Price of 9. Number of 10. 3A. Deemed

| 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) | | | | 6. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Ye | e | 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) |
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| | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |
| Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$25.38 | 01/15/2009 | | A | | 13,000 | | 01/15/2010 ⁽¹⁾ | 01/15/2019 | NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock | 13,000 | \$0 | 13,000 | D | |
| Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$20.3617 | | | | | | | 01/15/2009 ⁽²⁾ | 01/15/2018 | NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock | 7,500 | | 7,500 | D | |
| Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$22.352 | | | | | | | 01/01/2007 ⁽²⁾ | 01/01/2016 | NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock | 5,000 | | 5,000 | D | |
| Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$23.293 | | | | | | | 10/01/2006 ⁽²⁾ | 10/01/2015 | NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock | 20,000 | | 20,000 | D | |
| Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$25.762 | | | | | | | 01/01/2008 ⁽²⁾ | 01/01/2017 | NBT Bancorp Inc. Common Stock | 9,000 | | 9,000 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- $1.\ Pursuant\ to\ NBT\ Bancorp\ Inc.\ 2009\ Omnibus\ Stock\ Option\ Agreement\ the\ grant\ vests\ 40\%\ for\ first\ year,\ 20\%\ annually\ for\ following\ years.$
- 2. Pursuant to NBT Bancorp Inc. 1993 Stock Option Plan grant vests 40% for first year, 20% annually for following years.

** 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).
- ** 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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