

Northwest Bancshares, Inc.  
Form 8-K  
April 17, 2014

# 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): **April 16, 2014**

## Northwest Bancshares, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Maryland**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**001-34582**  
(Commission File No.)

**27-0950358**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**100 Liberty Street**  
**Warren, Pennsylvania**  
(Address of principal executive office)

**16365**  
(Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(814) 726-2140**

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

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4 (c))
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**Item 5.07**

**Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders**

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders was held on April 16, 2014. The matters listed below were submitted to a vote of the shareholders through the solicitation of proxies, and the proposals are described in detail in the Company's Proxy Statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 5, 2014. The final results of the shareholder votes are as follows:

Proposal 1 Election of Directors

	<b>For</b>	<b>Withheld</b>	<b>Broker Non-Votes</b>
William J. Wagner	68,239,912	2,032,215	12,201,938
A. Paul King	69,266,489	1,005,638	12,201,938
Sonia M. Probst	69,541,842	730,285	12,201,938
William F. McKnight	69,552,706	719,421	12,201,938

Proposal 2 Ratification of Appointment of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

The Shareholders approved the ratification of KPMG LLP as the Company's independent registered public accounting firm for the year ending December 31, 2014.

For	81,586,489
Against	728,558
Abstain	159,018
Broker non-votes	0

Proposal 3 An advisory, non-binding resolution to approve executive compensation described in the Proxy Statement

The shareholders approved the proposal regarding the compensation of the named executive officers as disclosed in the proxy statement as follows:

For	67,062,744
Against	2,252,134
Abstain	957,249
Broker non-votes	12,201,938

**Item 8.01**                      **Other Events.**

On April 16, 2014, the Registrant held its annual shareholders meeting. The slide presentation made to shareholders is attached as exhibit 99.1.

**Item 9.01**                      **Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(a)                      Not applicable

(b)                      Not applicable

(c)                      Not applicable

(d)                      Exhibits

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Slide presentation made to shareholders.

**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, hereunto duly authorized.

**NORTHWEST BANCSHARES, INC.**

DATE: April 17, 2014

By: /s/ William W. Harvey, Jr.  
William W. Harvey, Jr.  
*Chief Financial Officer*