

LEVINE STANLEY  
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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
LEVINE STANLEY

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
CORNERSTONE BANCORP INC  
[cbn]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
12/27/2005

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

57 HEMLOCK DR

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

STAMFORD, CT 06902

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock					525	D	
Common Stock					4,497	I	Joint with wife

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

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**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. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title		
Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 8.99	12/27/2005	12/27/2005	D	3,025 <u>(1)</u>	02/21/1996	02/21/2006	Common stock	3,025	
Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.4	12/27/2005	12/27/2005	D	303 <u>(1)</u>	05/21/1997	05/21/2007	Common Stock	303	
Director stock option (right to buy)	\$ 17.25	12/27/2005	12/27/2005	D	303 <u>(1)</u>	05/20/1998	05/20/2008	Common Stock	303	
Director Stock option (right to buy)	\$ 13.64	12/27/2005	12/27/2005	D	275 <u>(1)</u>	05/19/1999	05/19/2009	Common Stock	275	
Director stock option (right to buy)	\$ 10.91	12/27/2005	12/27/2005	D	275 <u>(1)</u>	05/17/2000	05/17/2010	Common Stock	275	
Director stock option (right to buy)	\$ 12.82	12/27/2005	12/27/2005	D	275 <u>(1)</u>	05/16/2001	05/16/2011	Common Stock	275	
Director stock	\$ 17.82	12/27/2005	12/27/2005	D	275 <u>(1)</u>	05/15/2002	05/15/2012	Common Stock	275	

option  
(right to  
buy)

Director  
stock  
option  
(right to  
buy)

\$ 18	12/27/2005	12/27/2005	D	<u>250</u> (1)	05/21/2003	05/21/2013	Common stock	250
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Director  
stock  
option  
(right to  
buy)

\$ 25.46	12/27/2005	12/27/2005	D	<u>250</u> (1)	05/26/2004	05/26/2014	Common Stock	250
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## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

LEVINE STANLEY  
57 HEMLOCK DR  
STAMFORD, CT 06902

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## Signatures

Leigh A. Hardisty as power of  
attorney

12/29/2005

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* 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).

(1) In accordance with the provisions of the Issuer's 1996 Stock Plan, in anticipation of the Issuer's merger with NewAlliance Bancshares, on January 2, 2006, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of the Issuer on December 27, 2005, approved the purchase of all outstanding options by the Issuer at a price per share equal to the difference between the option exercise price and \$36.69, the price of the Issuer's common stock at the close of business on December 23, 2005, the prior business day.

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