

National Western Life Group, Inc.
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
 Nelson Kitty Kennedy

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 National Western Life Group, Inc.
 [NWLI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 850 E. ANDERSON LANE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/06/2016

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 NWLIC President & COO

AUSTIN, TX 78752

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount (A) or (D) Price | | |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/06/2016 | | M | | 500 \$ 255.13 | 500 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/06/2016 | | F | | 436 \$ 292.65 | 64 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/06/2016 | | F | | 18 \$ 292.65 | 46 | D |
| Class A Common | 12/06/2016 | | S | | 46 ⁽¹⁾ \$ 292.65 | 0 | D |

Stock

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Non-Qualified Stock Options | \$ 255.13 | 12/06/2016 | | M | 500 | 04/18/2011 ⁽²⁾ 04/18/2018 | Class A Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Nelson Kitty Kennedy 850 E. ANDERSON LANE AUSTIN, TX 78752 | | | NWLIC President & COO | |

Signatures

Kitty Kennedy
Nelson 12/08/2016

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) These options were sold by the reporting person to the registrant pursuant to the registrant's share repurchase program.
- (2) The options are exercisable as they vest. The options vest in five equal annual installments beginning on the Date Exercisable.

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