

McAuliffe Patrick F
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Â McAuliffe Patrick F (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O NEWSTAR FINANCIAL, INC., Â 500 BOYLSTON STREET, SUITE 1250 (Street) BOSTON, Â MA Â 02116 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 05/09/2012	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NewStar Financial, Inc. [NEWS]	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below) Co-Head, Leveraged Finance	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	45,367	D	Â

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (1)	02/12/2015	Common Stock	15,000	\$ 7.32	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (1)	12/13/2016	Common Stock	20,105	\$ 17	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (1)	12/13/2016	Common Stock	12,500	\$ 17	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (1)	02/04/2016	Common Stock	25,000	\$ 2.86	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (2)	05/12/2017	Common Stock	15,000	\$ 8.28	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â (2)	05/12/2017	Common Stock	32,605	\$ 8.28	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
McAuliffe Patrick F C/O NEWSTAR FINANCIAL, INC. 500 BOYLSTON STREET, SUITE 1250 BOSTON, MA 02116	Â	Â	Â Co-Head, Leveraged Finance	Â

Signatures

John K. Bray as
attorney-in-fact

05/11/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Option is fully vested
- (2) Option vests in 3 equal installments on each of February 12, 2011, February 12, 2012 and February 12, 2013

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