

Amato Michael L
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â Amato Michael L		(Month/Day/Year)	WASHINGTON MUTUAL INC ["WM"]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	03/01/2005	
1201 THIRD AVENUE			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
(Street)			(Check all applicable)	
SEATTLE,Â WAÂ 98101			<input type="checkbox"/> Director	<input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
			(give title below)	(specify below)
			EVP & Pres, Retail Banking	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

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	52,744.2423	D	Â
Common	7,784.641	I	WaMu Savings Plan

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 <u>(1)</u>	01/16/2006	Common	3,648	\$ 12.3333	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(1)</u>	12/16/2007	Common	3,335	\$ 29.9445	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(1)</u>	12/15/2008	Common	4,559	\$ 21.9167	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(1)</u>	12/21/2009	Common	2,805	\$ 16.9583	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(1)</u>	12/19/2010	Common	37,501	\$ 33.4167	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(1)</u>	12/18/2011	Common	37,500	\$ 30.79	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(1)</u>	12/17/2012	Common	40,000	\$ 36.53	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(1)</u>	12/16/2013	Common	47,400	\$ 39.53	D	Â
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	Â <u>(1)</u>	01/21/2015	Common	36,364	\$ 42.17	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Amato Michael L 1201 THIRD AVENUE SEATTLE, WA 98101	Â	Â	Â EVP & Pres, Retail Banking	Â

Signatures

By: /s/ Christopher J. Bellavia,
Attorney-in-Fact

03/10/2005

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

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(1) Option granted pursuant to the Washington Mutual, Inc. 2003 Equity Incentive Plan; including predecessor plans. One-third vests annually beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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