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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(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Schmidt-Fellner Peter A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

NewStar Financial, Inc. [NEWS]

(Month/Day/Year) 05/19/2010

(Check all applicable)

Chief Investment Officer

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

C/O NEWSTAR FINANCIAL, INC., 500 BOYLSTON STREET, **SUITE 1250**

(Street)

(State)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

BOSTON, MA 02116

(City)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) Following (Instr. 4) Reported

or Code V Amount (D)

(A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price

Common

Stock, par 05/19/2010 value \$0.01 per share

328,947 (1)

\$0 1,094,289

D

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)

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| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) Derivative | | e | | Securit | ies | (Instr. 5) | Bene |
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| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address Officer Other Director 10% Owner

Schmidt-Fellner Peter A C/O NEWSTAR FINANCIAL, INC. 500 BOYLSTON STREET, SUITE 1250 BOSTON, MA 02116

X

Chief Investment Officer

Signatures

/s/ Daniel K. Crowley as attorney-in-fact for Peter Schmidt-Fellner

05/21/2010

**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).

Represents restricted shares of the Issuer's Common Stock granted pursuant to the Issuer's 2006 Incentive Plan, as amended and restated. 100% of the award will vest on 5/19/13 if (1) the Reporting Person continues to be employed by the Issuer on 5/19/13, and (2) either (i) the volume-weighted average price (VWAP) of the Issuer's common stock for the period beginning on the first day following the release

(1) of its fourth quarter earnings results for the 2012 fiscal year and ending on the three-year anniversary of the Issue Date (the "Measurement Period") meets or exceeds \$7.88 or (ii) both (x) the VWAP of the Issuer's common stock for the Measurement Period is less than \$7.88 per share but greater than or equal to \$7.00 per share and (y) the Issuer's book value per share at March 31, 2013 is greater than or equal to the Company's book value on March 31, 2010 (calculated on a pro-forma basis to reflect all awards).

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