

Pederson E J  
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 \*  
Pederson E J

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)  
10801 N. MOPAC EXPY BLDG 3  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/16/2018

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

AUSTIN, TX 78759

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |  |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | Code  | V   | Amount   |  |
| Class A Common Stock            | 02/16/2018                           |  | M                              | 166   | <u>A</u><br>(1)   | \$ 0   | 166 D                                      |
| Class A Common Stock            | 02/16/2018                           |  | M                              | 166   | <u>D</u><br>(1)   | \$ 314.99  | 0 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)

| 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 |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Restricted Stock Units                     | (2)  | 02/16/2018                           |  | M                              | 166   | 02/16/2018 02/16/2018                                    | Class A Common Stock  | 166                           |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                 | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Pederson E J<br>10801 N. MOPAC EXPY BLDG 3<br>AUSTIN, TX 78759 |               | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

E.J. Pederson                      02/20/2018  
 \*\*Signature of                      Date  
 Reporting Person

## 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) The Restricted Stock Units vested in full on February 16, 2018, and without any action or discretion by the Reporting Person he received a cash payment equal to the value of the shares on the vesting date.
  - (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive, with no additional consideration payable, the cash value of one share of NWLI Class A common stock on the Date Exercisable.

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