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Form 4
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U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20549

FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or
Section 30(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Check box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations
may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*

Saper Ronald L

(Last) (First) (Middle)

425 Pike Street

(Street)

Seattle WA 98101

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Washington Federal, Inc (WFSL)

3. IRS Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an Entity (Voluntary)

368-48-9614

4. Statement for Month/Year

12/2002

5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)

6. Relationship of Reporting Person to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

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

Chief Financial Officer

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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. Conver- sion or Exer- cise Price of Deriv- ative Secur- ity	3. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	4. Trans- action Code (Instr. 8) ----- Code V	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) ----- (A) (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) ----- Date Expira- tion Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) ----- Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options			V		5/13/01-04 12/13/09	common stock 0
			V		4/30/01-04 11/29/05	" 0
			V		5/15/01-05 11/30/07	" 0
			V		5/15/02-05 11/30/07	" 0
			V		5/15/02 10/19/11	" 0
			V		5/15/02 10/19/11	" 0

Explanation of Responses:

/s/ Ronald L. Saper

12/10/2002

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.

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See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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