

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

February 4, 2025

Louis J. Torchio President and CEO Northwest Bancshares, Inc. 3 Easton Oval Street, Suite 500 Columbus, OH 43219

> Re: Northwest Bancshares, Inc. Registration Statement on Form S-4 Filed January 27, 2025 File No. 333-284511

Dear Louis J. Torchio:

This is to advise you that we have not reviewed and will not review your registration statement.

Please refer to Rules 460 and 461 regarding requests for acceleration. We remind you that the company and its management are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of their disclosures, notwithstanding any review, comments, action or absence of action by the staff.

Please contact Madeleine Joy Mateo at 202-551-3465 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Division of Corporation Finance Office of Finance

cc: Christian Gonzalez, Esq.