WEHMER EDWARD J

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * WEHMER EDWARD J			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORP [WTFC]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) 9700 WEST I FLOOR	(First)	(Middle) OAD, 8TH	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/21/2017	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) PRESIDENT AND CEO		
	(Street)		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		
ROSEMONT	, IL 60018			Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-	Derivative Securities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Ben	eficially Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities Acquired	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature

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. Securit on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	sposed	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					(A) or		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price \$			
Stock	07/21/2017		M	24,606	A	44.11	137,352	D	
Common Stock	07/21/2017		M	5,173	A	\$ 40.87	142,525	D	
Common Stock	07/21/2017		S	29,779	D	\$ 76.89	112,746	D	
Common Stock							7,085	I	by 401(k) Plan
Common Stock							46,376	I	by Spouse

Common Stock 4,950 I FBO children

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Derivative Expiration Date Securities (Month/Day/Year) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Instr. 3, 4,		7. Title and Amou Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nu of S
Non-Qualified Stock Opion (right to buy)	\$ 44.11	07/21/2017		M	24,606	01/22/2017	01/22/2022	Common Stock	24
Non-Qualified Stock Opion (right to buy)	\$ 40.87	07/21/2017		M	5,173	01/28/2017	01/28/2023	Common Stock	5,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
WEHMER EDWARD J 9700 WEST HIGGINS ROAD, 8TH FLOOR ROSEMONT, IL 60018	X		PRESIDENT AND CEO			

Signatures

/s/Kathleen M. Boege, Attorney-in-fact 07/25/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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