

Eisenhuth Guy
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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 *
Eisenhuth Guy

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORP
[WTFC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
9700 WEST HIGGINS ROAD, 8TH FLOOR

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/24/2019

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

(Street)
ROSEMONT, IL 60018

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	01/24/2019		A		1,167 A \$ 0 ⁽¹⁾	10,053	D
Common Stock	01/25/2019		M		1,732 A \$ 30.98	11,785	D
Common Stock	01/25/2019		M		1,466 A \$ 37.85	13,251	D
Common Stock	01/25/2019		M		2,769 A \$ 46.86	16,020	D
Common Stock	01/25/2019		M		3,600 A \$ 44.11	19,620	D

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Common Stock	01/25/2019	M	2,802	A	\$ 40.87	22,422	D	
Common Stock	01/25/2019	F	8,689	D	\$ 72.69	13,733	D	
Common Stock						25	I	by 401(k) plan

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 30.98	01/25/2019		M	1,732	01/26/2015 01/26/2019	Common Stock	1,732	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 37.85	01/25/2019		M	1,466	01/24/2016 01/24/2020	Common Stock	1,466	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 46.86	01/25/2019		M	2,769	01/23/2017 01/23/2021	Common Stock	2,769	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 44.11	01/25/2019		M	3,600	01/22/2018 01/22/2022	Common Stock	3,600	
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 40.87	01/25/2019		M	2,802	01/28/2018 01/28/2023	Common Stock	2,802	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Eisenhuth Guy 9700 WEST HIGGINS ROAD, 8TH FLOOR ROSEMONT, IL 60018			EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT	

Signatures

/s/Kathleen M. Boege,
Attorney-in-fact

01/28/2019

__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).

(1) Represents stock awarded upon attainment of performance objectives under the Company's Long Term Incentive Program.

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