WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORP

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading LISKA PAUL J Issuer Symbol WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORP (Check all applicable) [WTFC] _X__ Director (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 20 S. WYNSTONE DRIVE 09/30/2005 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting NORTH BARRINGTON, IL 60010 Person (C:+-) (7:n)

(City)	(State)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	Perivative Secu	ırities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3.	4. Securities on (A) or Dispos		5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect	
(Instr. 3)	(Wolldin Day Tear)	any	Code	(Instr. 3, 4 an	` ′	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)			Owned Following	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				(A)	Reported	((======================================	
				01		Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common			Code V	Amount (D) Price \$,			
Stock	09/30/2005		A	205 (1) A	52.46	1,641	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)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)			ate	7. Title Amoun Under	int of lying ities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene
	Derivative Security				Securities Acquired			(Instr.	3 and 4)		Owne Follo
					(A) or Disposed						Repo Trans
					of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						(Instr
					4, and 3)				Amount		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	or Number of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LISKA PAUL J

20 S. WYNSTONE DRIVE X
NORTH BARRINGTON, IL 60010

Signatures

/s/ David A. Dykstra, Attorney-in-Fact

**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) Shares earned for the third quarter of 2005 for services as a Director of the Company in accordance with the Directors Deferred Fee and Stock Plan approved by the Shareholders.

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