STAFFORD INGRID S

Form 4 April 01, 2009

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

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1(b).

Common

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

03/31/2009

STAFFORD INGRID S			Symbol WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORP [WTFC]				Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1939 SHERMAN AVENUE, #4E			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/31/2009				_X_ Director Officer (give below)	title 10% below)	Owner r (specify	
EVANSTO	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 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Securities Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned	
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	e 2A. Deer	ned	3.	4. Securi	ties Acquired	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of	
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Executio	Execution Date, if any		•			Ownership	Indirect	
(Instr. 3)		any						Form: Direct	Beneficial	
		(Month/I	Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)			Owned	(D) or	Ownership	
				Code V	Amount	(A) or (D) Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)	

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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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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transact Code (Instr. 8)	orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	:		Amou Under Securi (Instr.	lying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

STAFFORD INGRID S 1939 SHERMAN AVENUE, #4E X EVANSTON, IL 60201

Signatures

/s/David A. Dykstra, Attorney-in-Fact 03/31/2009

**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 first quarter of 2009 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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