STEVENSON KURT R

Form 4

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

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

7700 BONHOMME AVENUE

STEVENSON KURT R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

CENTRUE FINANCIAL CORP

[TRUE]

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/15/2009

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) below)

SR EXEC VICE PRESIDENT/CFO

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

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

ST. LOUIS, MO 63105

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (T) (Instr. 4)

Ownership (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Derivative Disposed of (D) Security (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

> Code V (A) (D) Date **Expiration Title**

Exercisable Date

PHANTOM STOCK

(1) 12/15/2009

A 349.5503 (1) (1) **COMMON** 349. **STOCK**

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Numl Share

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

STEVENSON KURT R 7700 BONHOMME AVENUE ST. LOUIS, MO 63105

SR EXEC VICE PRESIDENT/CFO

Signatures

KURT R.

STEVENSON 12/16/2009 **Signature of Reporting Date Person

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).
- THE SHARES OF PHANTOM STOCK BECOME PAYABLE, IN CASH OR COMMON STOCK, AT THE ELECTION OF THE (1) REPORTING PERSON, UPON THE REPORTING PERSON'S TERMINATION OF SERVICE.
- REPORTING PERSON ALSO HOLDS 7,617 SHARES AND 40,762 STOCK OPTIONS GRANTED UNDER THE ISSUER'S STOCK **(2)** OPTION PLAN.

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