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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement CENTRUE FINANCIAL CORP [TRUE] À PETERSON RICHARD C (Month/Day/Year) 09/21/2011 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer 7700 BONHOMME AVENUE

(Check all applicable) (Street)

> _X__ Director 10% Owner Officer Other (give title below) (specify below)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Person

ST. LOUIS, MOÂ 63105

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities

Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)

Ownership Form:

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security 2. Date Exercisable and 3. Title and Amount of 4. 5. 6. Nature of Indirect Conversion (Instr. 4) **Expiration Date** Securities Underlying Ownership Beneficial Ownership (Month/Day/Year) **Derivative Security** or Exercise Form of (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Price of Derivative Derivative Security: Expiration Date Security Direct (D) Exercisable Date Amount or or Indirect Title Number of (I) Shares (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PETERSON RICHARD C

7700 BONHOMME AVENUE Â X Â Â

ST. LOUIS, MOÂ 63105

Signatures

RICHARD C. PETERSON 09/27/2011

**Signature of Reporting Date
Person

Explanation of Responses:

No securities are beneficially owned

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).

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