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FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

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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]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

01/24/2019

(Month/Day/Year)

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

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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below) EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

9700 WEST HIGGINS ROAD, 8TH **FLOOR**

(Street)

(First)

(Middle)

(Last)

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

Issuer

ROSEMONT, IL 60018

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	Derivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	ransaction(A) or Disposed of (D) ode (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	ctionof Derivative Expiration Date Securities (Month/Day/Year)		_		7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Share	
Non-Qualified Stock Opion (right to buy)	\$ 30.98	01/25/2019		M	1,73	2 01/26/2015	01/26/2019	Common Stock	1,7	
Non-Qualified Stock Opion (right to buy)	\$ 37.85	01/25/2019		M	1,46	5 01/24/2016	01/24/2020	Common Stock	1,4	
Non-Qualified Stock Opion (right to buy)	\$ 46.86	01/25/2019		M	2,76	01/23/2017	01/23/2021	Common Stock	2,7	
Non-Qualified Stock Opion (right to buy)	\$ 44.11	01/25/2019		M	3,60	01/22/2018	01/22/2022	Common Stock	3,6	
Non-Qualified Stock Opion (right to buy)	\$ 40.87	01/25/2019		M	2,80	2 01/28/2018	01/28/2023	Common Stock	2,8	

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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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