

WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORP  
Form 8-K  
December 11, 2017

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549  
FORM 8-K

Current Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of  
The Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 11, 2017  
WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORPORATION  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Illinois	001-35077	36-3873352
(State or other jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
9700 West Higgins Road		60018
Rosemont, Illinois		(Zip Code)
(Address of principal executive offices)		
Registrant's telephone number, including area code (847) 939-9000		
N/A		
(Former name or former address, if changed since last year)		

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On December 11, 2017, Wintrust Financial Corporation (“Wintrust”) entered into the Fifth Amendment, dated as of December 11, 2017 (the “Amendment”) to the Credit Agreement dated as of December 15, 2014 (as amended, the “Credit Agreement”) among Wintrust, the lenders named therein, and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as administrative agent. A copy of the Amendment is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1.

The Amendment includes technical and ministerial changes and extends the Revolving Credit Maturity Date to December 10, 2018.

Item 2.03. Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation or an Obligation under an Off-Balance Sheet Arrangement of a Registrant.

The information provided in Item 1.01 is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

10.1	Fifth Amendment, dated as of December 11, 2017, to the Credit Agreement dated as of December 15, 2014, as amended, among Wintrust Financial Corporation, the lenders named therein, and Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, as administrative agent.
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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Description
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Signature

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Registrant)

By: /s/ Kathleen M. Boege

Kathleen M. Boege

Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

Date: December 11, 2017