WEHMER EDWARD J

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading WEHMER EDWARD J Issuer Symbol WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORP (Check all applicable) [WTFC] (Middle) (Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X_ Director

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

(Street)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

07/23/2018

10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

PRESIDENT AND CEO

4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

ROSEMONT, IL 60018

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab l	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	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)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit or(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	sposed 4 and 3 (A) or	l of (D) 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	07/23/2018		Code V M	Amount 12,301	(D)	Price \$ 44.11	133,308	D	
Common Stock	07/23/2018		S	12,301	D	\$ 91.12 (1)	121,007	D	
Common Stock							46,376	I	by Spouse
Common Stock							7,108	I	by 401(k) Plan
							1,650	I	

Common FBO Stock children

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nu of S	
Non-Qualified Stock Opion (right to buy)	\$ 44.11	07/23/2018		M	12,301	01/22/2018	01/22/2022	Common Stock	12	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
WEHMER EDWARD J 9700 WEST HIGGINS ROAD, 8TH FLOOR ROSEMONT, IL 60018	X		PRESIDENT AND CEO			

Signatures

/s/Kathleen M. Boege, Attorney-in-fact 07/24/2018

**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).

The price reported is the weighted average price. The shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$91.00 to \$91.34, (1) inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the SEC, the issuer and any security holder full information regarding the

(1) inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the SEC, the issuer and any security holder full information regarding the number of shares and the prices at which the shares were sold.

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