WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORP

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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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 *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

CROWTHER BRUCE K

WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORP [WTFC]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

9700 WEST HIGGINS ROAD, 8TH

(Street)

FLOOR

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

12/31/2015

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

Person

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

below)

ROSEMONT, IL 60018

(City) (State) (Zip) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

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

(A)

Reported Transaction(s)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(Instr. 3 and 4)

Common Stock

(Instr. 3)

12/31/2015

406 (1) A A

28,106 D

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | | | ate | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities | nt of lying ities | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene |
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| | Derivative Security | | | | Securities Acquired | | | (Instr. | 3 and 4) | | Owne Follo |
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| | | | | | of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | | | | | (Instr |
| | | | | | 4, and 3) | | | | Amount | | |
| | | | | | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | or Number of | | |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CROWTHER BRUCE K 9700 WEST HIGGINS ROAD, 8TH FLOOR X ROSEMONT, IL 60018

Signatures

/s/Kathleen M. Boege, Attorney-in-fact 01/05/2016

**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) Shares earned for the fourth quarter of 2015 for services as a Director of the Company in accordance with the Director's Deferred Fee and Stock Plan approved by the Shareholders.

Remarks:

EXHIBIT LIST

Exhibit 24.1 Power of Attorney

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