

NORTHERN TRUST CORP
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 SMITH HAROLD B

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 NORTHERN TRUST CORP
 [NTRS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 50 S. LA SALLE ST.
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 08/20/2007

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

CHICAGO, IL 60603

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|-----------------|---|--|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Amount or Price | | | | |
| Common Stock | 08/20/2007 | | W | V | 806 | A \$ 0 | 806 | I | By Trust (1) |
| Common Stock | 10/29/2007 | | W | V | 806 | D \$ 0 | 0 | I | By Trust (1) |
| Common Stock | 10/29/2007 | | W | V | 201 | A \$ 0 | 148,552 | I | By Trust (2) |
| Common Stock | 10/30/2007 | | G | V | 225 | D \$ 0 | 148,327 | I | By Trust (2) |
| Common Stock (3) | | | | | | | 1,781.31 | D | |

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|--------------|-----------|---|-----------------|
| Common Stock | 5,760 | I | By Trust (4) |
| Common Stock | 1,168,148 | I | By Trust (4) |
| Common Stock | 204,732 | I | By Trust (4) |
| Common Stock | 1,440 | I | By Trust (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 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| SMITH HAROLD B 50 S. LA SALLE ST. CHICAGO, IL 60603 | | X | | |

Signatures

Eileen C. Ratzka Attorney-in-Fact for Harold B. Smith 11/19/2007

__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) Distribution of shares held in an investment partnership managed by a third party. Shares were distributed to the beneficiaries, one of whom is the reporting person, through a trust of which the reporting person is a co-trustee and has a direct beneficial interest.
- (2) Shares held in a revocable trust created by the reporting person.
- (3) Represents stock units payable automatically on a 1-for-1 basis in shares of the Corporation's common stock.
- (4) Reporting person is a co-trustee and has a contingent beneficial interest.
- (5) Shares held in a trust of which the reporting person is a co-trustee and has a direct beneficial interest.

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