

ZIDAR THOMAS P

Form 4

October 26, 2017

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
ZIDAR THOMAS P

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORP
[WTFC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
9700 WEST HIGGINS ROAD, 8TH
FLOOR

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
10/26/2017

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

(Street)
ROSEMONT, IL 60018

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
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Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 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)		
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	10/26/2017		M		3,178	A	\$ 33.28	31,239	D
Common Stock	10/26/2017		S		3,178	D	\$ 80	28,061	D
Common Stock								6,492	I
									By ESPP

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(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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 33.28	10/26/2017		M	3,178	08/03/2014 08/03/2018	Common Stock	3,178

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
ZIDAR THOMAS P 9700 WEST HIGGINS ROAD, 8TH FLOOR ROSEMONT, IL 60018	Director 10% Owner Officer Other EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

Signatures

/s/Kathleen M. Boege,
Attorney-in-fact 10/26/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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