

NORTHERN TRUST CORP  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
 MORRISON WILLIAM L

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)  
 10/19/2007

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 EVP & President/PFS

CHICAGO, IL 60603

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting 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 or (D) Price		
Common Stock <u>(1)</u>	10/19/2007		F		1,371 <u>(2)</u> \$ 69.45	D	
Common Stock <u>(1)</u>	10/19/2007		F		37 <u>(3)</u> \$ 69.45	D	
Common Stock					56,589.6246 <u>(5)</u>	D	
Common Stock					1,200	I	By Spouse
Common Stock					148	I	Custodian for Child

Common Stock	100	I	By Son
Common Stock	2,500 <sup>(6)</sup>	I	401(k)

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 Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6)
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### Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

#### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MORRISON WILLIAM L  
50 S. LA SALLE ST.  
CHICAGO, IL 60603

EVP & President/PFS

### Signatures

Eileen C. Ratzka attorney-in-fact for William L. Morrison

10/23/2007

\*\*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) Represents stock units payable automatically on a 1-for-1 basis in shares of the Corporation's common stock.

(2) Represents stock units withheld to pay taxes upon distribution of 5,183 stock units.

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- (3) Represents stock units withheld to pay FICA on the deferred distribution of 1,817 stock units.
- (4) Total represents the distribution of 5,220 stock units and the deferral of 1,780 net of taxes. (7,000 stock units).
- (5) Includes 3,812 shares of common stock (net of taxes, FICA and deferred stock units) received upon the distribution of already reported stock units.
- (6) as of 9/30/2007

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