

MORRISON WILLIAM L  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 SOUTH LASALLE STREET**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**02/03/2009**

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

**CHICAGO, IL 60603**

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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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 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	(D)	Price
Common Stock	02/03/2009		S		25,000	D	\$ 59.153 <u>(1)</u>
Common Stock <sup>(2)</sup>					39,549	D	
Common Stock					1,200	I	By Spouse
Common Stock					148	I	Custodian for Child
Common Stock					100	I	By Son



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