WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORP

Form 4

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

MCCARTHY JAMES B			Symbol WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORP [WTFC]				I	Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 418 S. PARK AVENUE			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/12/2005				_	_X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
HINSDAL	(Street) E, IL 60521			endment, I onth/Day/Ye	_	ıal	- -	5. Individual or Joi Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by O Form filed by M Person	ne Reporting Pe	rson	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tak	de I - Non.	.Derivativ	e Secu		ired, Disposed of,	or Reneficial	lv Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year	e) Execution any	ned	3. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	4. Secur omr Dispo (Instr. 3,	ities A osed of , 4 and (A) or	cquired (A)	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)	
Stock	08/12/2005			S	1,500	D	50.4933	0	D		
Common Stock	08/12/2005			S	1,971	D	\$ 50.5	1,942	D		
Common Stock	08/12/2005			S	2,065	D	\$ 50.3806	0	I	By Spouse as Trustee	
Common Stock	08/12/2005			S	2,065	D	\$ 50.3494	9,445	I	By Spouse as Trustee	

Trustee

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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. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	5. ionNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	3	ate	7. Titl Amou Under Secur (Instr.	int of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	
				Code V	/ (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Kelationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			

MCCARTHY JAMES B 418 S. PARK AVENUE X HINSDALE, IL 60521

Signatures

/s/ David A. Dykstra,
Attorney-in-Fact
08/15/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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