

BULLEY ALLAN E JR.
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â BULLEY ALLAN E JR.		(Month/Day/Year)	WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORP [(WTFC)]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	03/13/2006	
1755 W. ARMITAGE AVENUE		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
(Street)		(Check all applicable)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
CHICAGO,Â ILÂ 60622		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	<input type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)	
				<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	44,336	D	Â
Common Stock	75	I	by Trust
Common Stock	1,000	I	Profit Sharing Plan

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security	4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	(Instr. 4)	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BULLEY ALLAN E JR. 1755 W. ARMITAGE AVENUE CHICAGO, IL 60622	X			

Signatures

/s/ David A. Dykstra, Attorney-in-Fact 03/22/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).

Remarks:
 Exhibit List
 Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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