

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)  
10/29/2007

\_\_\_\_ 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)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 Price		
Common Stock	10/29/2007		M		50,000 A \$ 45.1563		D
Common Stock	10/29/2007		S		500 D \$ 74.16		D
Common Stock	10/29/2007		S		500 D \$ 74.17		D
Common Stock	10/29/2007		S		1,790 D \$ 74.18		D
Common Stock	10/29/2007		S		3,700 D \$ 74.19		D

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Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	1,202	D	\$ 74.2	98,897.6246	D	
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	2,800	D	\$ 74.21	96,097.6246	D	
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	3,010	D	\$ 74.22	93,087.6246	D	
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	5,200	D	\$ 74.23	87,887.6246	D	
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	4,919	D	\$ 74.24	82,968.6246	D	
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	7,649	D	\$ 75.25	75,319.6246	D	
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	2,100	D	\$ 74.26	73,219.6246	D	
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	1,347	D	\$ 74.27	71,872.6246	D	
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	1,600	D	\$ 74.28	70,272.6246	D	
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	1,002	D	\$ 74.29	69,270.6246	D	
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	5,000	D	\$ 74.3	64,270.6246	D	
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	1,253	D	\$ 74.31	63,017.6246	D	
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	200	D	\$ 74.33	62,817.6246	D	
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	500	D	\$ 74.34	62,317.6246	D	
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	700	D	\$ 74.35	61,617.6246	D	
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	121	D	\$ 74.4	61,496.6246	D	
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	379	D	\$ 74.41	61,117.6246	D	
Common Stock	10/29/2007	S	100	D	\$ 74.42	61,017.6246	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>						45,825	D	
Common Stock						1,200	I	By Spouse
						148	I	

Common Stock			Custodian for Child
Common Stock	100	I	By Son
Common Stock	2,500 <sup>(2)</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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Employee Stock Option (right-to-buy)	\$ 45.1563	10/29/2007		M	50,000	<sup>(3)</sup> 05/13/2013	Common Stock 50,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MORRISON WILLIAM L 50 SOUTH LASALLE STREET CHICAGO, IL 60603			EVP \$ President/PFS	

## Signatures

Paul A. Bernacki Attorney-in-Fact for William L. Morrison  
10/30/2007

           \*\*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) as of 9/30/07
- (3) Various dates

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