

Blake Aileen B  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
Blake Aileen B

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)  
08/14/2017

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EVP and Controller

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  
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(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount (A) or (D) Price   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 08/14/2017                           |  | M                              |   | 6,762 A \$ 52.69  | 16,720 <sup>(1)</sup>                                    | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 08/14/2017                           |  | S                              |   | 6,762 D \$ 88.45  | 9,958 <sup>(1)</sup>                                     | D                                 |
| Common Stock                    | 08/14/2017                           |  | S                              |   | 1,000 D \$ 88.44  | 16,172 <sup>(3)</sup>                                    | I By Trust                        |

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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Employee Stock Option (right-to-buy)       | \$ 52.69   | 08/14/2017                           |  | M                              | 6,762   | (4) 02/11/2023   | Common Stock  | 6,762                      |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                 | Relationships |           |                    |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer            | Other |
| Blake Aileen B<br>50 SOUTH LASALLE STREET<br>CHICAGO, IL 60603 |               |           | EVP and Controller |       |

## Signatures

Bradley R. Gabriel, Attorney-in-Fact for Aileen B. Blake  
08/16/2017

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) Includes 9,958 shares representing stock units payable automatically on a 1-for-1 basis in shares of the Corporation's common stock.
- (2) Price reflects the weighted average sales price from \$88.37 to \$88.60. Information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price will be provided by the reporting person upon request.
- (3) Price reflects the weighted average sales price from \$88.43 to \$88.46. Information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price will be provided by the reporting person upon request.
- (4) This option became exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning 2/11/2014.

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