

St Clair Joyce
Form 4
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FORM 4

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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 *
St Clair Joyce

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)
10/23/2009

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Executive Vice President

CHICAGO, IL 60603

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

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

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | 10/23/2009 | | F | 884 | D \$ 53.385 | 16,612 ⁽²⁾ | D |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | 10/23/2009 | | F | 393 | D \$ 53.385 | 15,279 ⁽³⁾ | D |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | 10/23/2009 | | F | 281 | D \$ 53.385 | 14,325 ⁽⁴⁾ | D |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 22,387 ⁽²⁾ ⁽³⁾ ⁽⁴⁾ | I By Trust |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 5,103 ⁽⁵⁾ | I 401(k) |

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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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| St Clair Joyce 50 SOUTH LASALLE STREET CHICAGO, IL 60603 | | | Executive Vice President | |

Signatures

Paul A. Bernacki Attorney-in-Fact for Joyce St. Clair
 10/27/2009
 **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
 On October 23, 2009, 3,000 already reported and vested stock units, granted on February 17, 2004, were distributed to the reporting person; 2,116 stock units were distributed to the reporting person as common stock of NTRS and 884 stock units were withheld in payment of Federal, State and Medicare taxes.
- (3) On October 23, 2009, 1,333 already reported and vested stock units, granted on February 15, 2005, were distributed to the reporting person, 940 stock units were distributed to the reporting person as common stock of NTRS, and 393 stock units were withheld in payment of Federal, State and Medicare taxes.
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On October 23, 2009, 954 already reported and vested stock units, granted on February 21, 2006, were distributed to the reporting person; 673 stock units were distributed to the reporting person as common stock of NTRS, and 281 stock units were withheld in payment of Federal, State and Medicare taxes.

(5) as of 9-30-2009

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