

NORTHERN TRUST CORP

Form 4

February 20, 2008

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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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)
02/15/2008

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) 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)
__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ 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)	
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	02/15/2008		F		357	D \$ 72	4,250 ⁽¹⁾	D
Common Stock							1,172 ⁽²⁾	D
Common Stock ⁽³⁾							1,479	D
Common Stock							56 ⁽⁴⁾	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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right-to-buy)	\$ 71.23	02/19/2008		A	8,950	(5) 02/19/2018	Common Stock	8,950

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

Paul A. Bernacki Attorney-In-Fact for Aileen B.
Blake 02/20/2008

__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 the balance of a restrictive stock award with incremental vesting.
- (2) The total includes the net shares delivered to reporting person upon the vesting of a restricted stock award as referred to in footnote 1. The first vesting was reported on Form 4 filed November 13, 2007.
- (3) Represents stock units payable automatically on a 1-for-1 basis in shares of the Corporation's common stock.
- (4) as of 12-31-07
- (5) The option becomes exercisable in four equal installments upon the first four anniversary dates of the grant.

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