

WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORP
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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 FRANCIS ZED S III		(Month/Day/Year)	WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORP [WTEFC]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
9700 WEST HIGGINS ROAD,			(Check all applicable)	
8TH FLOOR			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director	<input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner
(Street)			<input type="checkbox"/> Officer	<input type="checkbox"/> Other
ROSEMONT,Â ILÂ 60018			(give title below)	(specify below)
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)	
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person	
			<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	4,411	D	Â
Common Stock	4,132	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 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 (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Date	Expiration	Title	Amount or	Derivative	Security:
Exercisable	Date		Number of	Security	Direct (D)
			Shares		or Indirect
					(I)
					(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FRANCIS ZED S III 9700 WEST HIGGINS ROAD, 8TH FLOOR ROSEMONT, IL 60018	X			

Signatures

/s/Zed S. Francis III 05/28/2015

 Date
**Signature of Reporting Person

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).

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Remarks:
Exhibit 24.1 Power of Attorney

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