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

FORM 8-K/A

Current Report
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The
Securities Exchange Act of 1934
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 25, 2017

WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Illinois 001-35077 36-3873352 (State or other jurisdiction (Commission (I.R.S. Employer of Incorporation) File Number) Identification No.)

9700 West Higgins Road

Rosemont, Illinois 60018

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (847) 939-9000

N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last year)

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Current Report on Form 8-K/A (the "Amendment") updates information provided on a Current Report on Form 8-K dated May 26, 2017 (the "Original Form 8-K"), relating to disclosure made under Item 5.07, Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders, associated with the Wintrust Financial Corporation (the "Company") Annual Meeting of Shareholders held on May 25, 2017 (the "Annual Meeting"). The sole purpose of this Amendment is to disclose the Company's decision regarding how frequently it will conduct an advisory vote on the compensation of the Company's named executive officers. No other changes have been made to the Original Form 8-K.

Item 5.07. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders

As previously reported on the Original Form 8-K, at the Annual Meeting, the Company's shareholders voted on an advisory (non-binding) proposal to determine whether future shareholder advisory votes to approve executive compensation show occur every one, two or three years. The results of the vote were as follows:

Every One Year Every Two Years Every Three Years Abstentions

35,031,810

70,289

10,183,181

73,028

The Board of Directors has considered the outcome of this advisory vote and has determined, as was recommended with respect to this proposal by the Board of Directors in the proxy statement for the Annual Meeting, that the Company will hold an annual advisory vote on the compensation of the Company's named executive officers. Signature

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

WINTRUST FINANCIAL CORPORATION (Registrant)

By: /s/Kathleen M. Boege Kathleen M. Boege

Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

Date: July 28, 2017