

HELMAN ROBERT A
Form 4
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FORM 4

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Helman, Robert A. (Last) (First) (Middle) | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Northern Trust Corporation NTRS | | | 6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director — <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner — <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) — <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|---|---|---|--|-------|---|--|---|
| Mayer, Brown, Rowe & Maw 190 S. La Salle St. | | | 3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary) | | | 4. Statement for Month/Day/Year 01/21/03 | | | | |
| (Street) Chicago, IL 60603 | | | 5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year) | | | 7. 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 | | | | |
| (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 & 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 & 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 ⁽¹⁾ | 01/21/03 | | A | | 2400 ⁽²⁾ | A | | 4800 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 3600 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | 3600 | I | Held by trustee under employer retirement trust |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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FORM 4 (continued) Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction | 3A. Deemed Execution | 4. Transaction | 5. Number of | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying | 8. Price of Derivative Security | 9. Number of Derivative Securities | 10. Ownership | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial |
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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | Date (Month/Day/Year) | Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | | | Derivative Securities (Instr. 3, 4 & 5) | | Month/Day/Year | Securities (Instr. 3 & 4) | | (Instr. 5) | Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|--------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|---|-----|---|-------------------|----------------|---------------------------|-------|------------|---|--|----------------------|
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exer-cisable | | Expira-tion Date | Title | | | | |
| Stock Units | 1-for-1 | | | | | | | | | | | | 9140⁽³⁾ | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Represents stock units payable automatically on a one-for-one basis in shares of the Corporation's common stock.
- (2) Represents stock units payable automatically on a one-for-one basis in shares of the Corporation's common stock. 800 stock units will vest on April 15, 2003, and the remaining 1600 stock units will vest upon the reporting person's re-election as a director in each of the years 2004 and 2005.
- (3) Stock units representing the transfer of prior deferred compensation, deferral of annual stock grant, deferral of annual retainer, and deferral of committee fees pursuant to the Northern Trust Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors. The distribution will be made in cash.

By: /s/ **Eileen C. Ratzka (POA)**
Robert A. Helman
 **Signature of Reporting Person

01/22/03
 Date

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 See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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