

JOHNSTON WILLIAM ELMER JR
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FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
JOHNSTON WILLIAM ELMER JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
UNITRIN INC [UTR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
155 NORTH HARBOR
DRIVE, UNIT 3412

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
08/21/2006

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

(Street)
CHICAGO, IL 60601

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	08/21/2006		M	1,500 A \$ 29.4894	5,500	D	

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)

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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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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				Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Code	V	(A)	(D)				
				10/29/1998	10/29/2007	Common Stock	1,500

Non-Employee Director Stock Options ⁽¹⁾ \$ 29.4894 08/21/2006 M 1,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
JOHNSTON WILLIAM ELMER JR 155 NORTH HARBOR DRIVE UNIT 3412 CHICAGO, IL 60601	X			

Signatures

William E. Johnston, Jr. 08/21/2006

**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) Rights to buy under the Unitrin, Inc. 1995 Non-Employee Director Stock Option Plan.

(2) Reporting person holds a total of 35,394 options under one or more Unitrin stock option plans.

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