

NORTHERN TRUST CORP  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**SMITH HAROLD 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 S. LA SALLE ST.**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**10/19/2007**

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

**CHICAGO, IL 60603**  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	10/19/2007		S		286 D \$ 69.74	I	By Trust
Common Stock	10/19/2007		S		451 D \$ 69.76	I	By Trust
Common Stock	10/19/2007		S		375 D \$ 69.7649	I	By Trust
Common Stock	10/19/2007		S		726 D \$ 69.7955	I	By Trust
Common Stock	10/19/2007		S		426 D \$ 69.81	I	By Trust

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Common Stock	10/19/2007	S	264	D	\$ 69.8125	1,171,119	I	By Trust
Common Stock	10/19/2007	S	198	D	\$ 69.8167	1,170,921	I	By Trust
Common Stock	10/19/2007	S	132	D	\$ 69.82	1,170,789	I	By Trust
Common Stock	10/19/2007	S	462	D	\$ 69.84	1,170,327	I	By Trust
Common Stock	10/19/2007	S	264	D	\$ 69.86	1,170,063	I	By Trust
Common Stock	10/19/2007	S	1,254	D	\$ 69.9268	1,168,809	I	By Trust
Common Stock	10/19/2007	S	66	D	\$ 70.08	1,168,743	I	By Trust
Common Stock	10/19/2007	S	330	D	\$ 70.09	1,168,413	I	By Trust
Common Stock	10/19/2007	S	265	D	\$ 70.095	1,168,148	I	By Trust <u>(1)</u>
Common Stock	10/19/2007	S	79	D	\$ 69.22	168,272	I	By Trust
Common Stock	10/19/2007	S	79	D	\$ 69.2267	168,193	I	By Trust
Common Stock	10/19/2007	S	158	D	\$ 69.23	168,035	I	By Trust
Common Stock	10/19/2007	S	249	D	\$ 69.25	167,786	I	By Trust
Common Stock	10/19/2007	S	440	D	\$ 69.2524	167,346	I	By Trust
Common Stock	10/19/2007	S	317	D	\$ 69.26	167,029	I	By Trust
Common Stock	10/19/2007	S	79	D	\$ 69.29	166,950	I	By Trust
Common Stock	10/19/2007	S	211	D	\$ 69.3	166,739	I	By Trust
Common Stock	10/19/2007	S	1,028	D	\$ 69.3312	165,711	I	By Trust
Common Stock	10/19/2007	S	264	D	\$ 69.338	165,447	I	By Trust
Common Stock	10/19/2007	S	26	D	\$ 69.35	165,421	I	By Trust
	10/19/2007	S	58	D	\$ 69.37	165,363	I	By Trust

Common  
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Common Stock	10/19/2007	S	211	D	\$ 69.375	165,152	I	By Trust
Common Stock	10/19/2007	S	132	D	\$ 69.38	165,020	I	By Trust
Common Stock	10/19/2007	S	88	D	\$ 69.391	164,932	I	By Trust (2)

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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SMITH HAROLD B 50 S. LA SALLE ST. CHICAGO, IL 60603		X		

## Signatures

Paul A. Bernacki Attorney-in-Fact for Harold B. Smith 10/23/2007

\_\_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) Reporting person is a co-trustee and has a contingent beneficial interest.
- (2) This Form 4 is being filed as Part 3 and is continued on three additional Form 4s as Parts 4, 5 and 6.

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