

Potter Stephen N
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FORM 4

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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 *
 Potter Stephen N

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 SOUTH LA SALLE STREET
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 05/15/2013

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 President NTGI

CHICAGO, IL 60603

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(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 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	05/15/2013		M ⁽¹⁾		30,000 A \$ 44.465	62,911	I By Trust
Common Stock	05/15/2013		S ⁽²⁾		30,000 D \$ 57.02 ⁽³⁾	32,911	I By Trust
Common Stock ⁽⁴⁾						59,640	D
Common Stock						1,270	I Spouse as Trustee for Son
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Common Stock				8,342.88 ⁽⁵⁾	I		for Daughter
							401(k)

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Employee Stock Option (right-to-buy)	\$ 44.465	05/15/2013		M ⁽¹⁾	30,000	03/31/2005 02/15/2015	Common Stock 30,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Potter Stephen N 50 SOUTH LA SALLE STREET CHICAGO, IL 60603			President	NTGI

Signatures

Paul A. Bernacki Attorney-in-Fact for Stephen N. Potter	05/17/2013
<small>**Signature of Reporting Person</small>	<small>Date</small>

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) This option was exercised pursuant to a written plan adopted in accordance with SEC Rule 10b5-1.
- (2) This sale was made pursuant to a written plan adopted in accordance with SEC Rule 10b5-1.

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- The price in Column 4 is the weighted average price. The prices actually received ranged from \$57.00 to \$57.14. Upon request, the
- (3) reporting person will provide to the SEC staff, the issuer, or any security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within this range.
 - (4) Represents stock units payable automatically on a 1-for-1 basis in shares of the Corporation's common stock.
 - (5) as of 3-31-13

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