SOLON EVERETT J

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

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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 *

SOLON EVERETT J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
Symbol

CENTRUE FINANCIAL CORP
[TRUE]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

——Director

——Director

——Director

——10% Owner

122 W MADISON STREET

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

MARKET PRESIDENT

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

X_ Officer (give title

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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02/15/2008

Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting

below)

Person

below)

OTTAWA, IL 61350

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (D) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned (D) or Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) V Amount (D) Price **COMMON** 18,735 (1) 02/15/2008 M 3,000 A D 18.5 **STOCK COMMON** 401K I 26,612 STOCK **PLAN**

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

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$\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (\emph{e.g.}, puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \\ \end{tabular}$

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number owf 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 Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nur of Sha
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION	\$ 16.0625						11/18/2002	11/18/2009	COMMON STOCK	1
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION	\$ 18.5	02/15/2008		M		3,000	02/16/2003	02/16/2008	COMMON STOCK	3,
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION	\$ 15						02/11/2004	02/11/2009	COMMON STOCK	3,:
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION	\$ 11.75						02/15/2006	02/15/2011	COMMON STOCK	3,
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION	\$ 14.25						11/13/2006	02/20/2012	COMMON STOCK	4,
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION	\$ 15.09						11/13/2006	12/19/2012	COMMON STOCK	2,9
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION	\$ 20.3						11/13/2006	06/16/2015	COMMON STOCK	5,
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION	\$ 19.03						01/31/2008	01/31/2014	COMMON STOCK	5,0 <u>9</u>
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION	\$ 17.63						02/07/2009	02/07/2015	COMMON STOCK	5,0 <u>0</u>

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SOLON EVERETT J 122 W MADISON STREET OTTAWA, IL 61350

MARKET PRESIDENT

Signatures

EVERETT J.

SOLON 02/15/2008

**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) ALL SHARES HELD JOINTLY WITH SPOUSE EXCEPT FOR 9,040 SHARES HELD INDIVIDUALLY.
- (2) THIS OPTION WILL VEST IN EQUAL INSTALLMENTS OF 1,000 SHARES PER YEAR OVER 5 YEARS.

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