

CENTRUE FINANCIAL CORP  
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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 \*  
**WHALEN WAYNE W**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**CENTRUE FINANCIAL CORP  
 [TRUE]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**08/25/2008**

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

**4920 SOUTH GREENWOOD**

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 \_\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**CHICAGO, IL 60615**

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price (A) or (D)		
Common	08/25/2009	08/28/2009	P		1,194 A \$ 12.5	210,771.5 <sup>(1)</sup>	I By children of Reporting Persons
Common	08/26/2009	08/29/2009	P		2,000 A \$ 12.5	212,771.5 <sup>(1)</sup>	I By children of Reporting Persons
Common	08/26/2009	08/29/2009	P		2,000 A \$ 12.5	214,771.5 <sup>(1)</sup>	I By children of Reporting Persons

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Common	08/26/2009	08/29/2009	P	300	A	\$ 12.5	621,888	D
Common	08/26/2009	08/29/2009	P	2,000	A	\$ 12.5	216,771.5 <sup>(1)</sup>	I

By children  
of  
Reporting  
Persons

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. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Beneficially (Instr. 5)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WHALEN WAYNE W 4920 SOUTH GREENWOOD CHICAGO, IL 60615		X		
WOLFF PAULA 4920 SOUTH GREENWOOD CHICAGO, IL 60615		X		

## Signatures

/s/ Wayne W.  
Whalen

09/04/2008

\*\*Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

/s/ Paula Wolff

09/04/2008

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).

In addition to 621,888 common shares held directly by Reporting Persons (following the reported transaction), Reporting Persons indirectly may be deemed to hold the following: 54,750 common shares held by WPW Associates, L.P., of which Reporting Persons are general partners; 70,737 common shares held by children or grandchildren of Reporting Persons (following the reported transactions);

- (1) 40,400 common shares held by Paula Wolff as custodian of UTMA accounts for children of Reporting Persons; 1,000 common shares held by the WPW Family Foundation of which Reporting Persons are trustees on the board of trustees; and 1,381 convertible preferred shares held by WPW Associates, L.P. of which Reporting Persons are general partners and which are convertible into 49,884.5 shares of common stock.

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