SOLON EVERETT J

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SOLON EVERETT J

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

CENTRUE FINANCIAL CORP

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

[TRUE]

(Month/Day/Year) 03/06/2009

Director 10% Owner Other (specify

(Check all applicable)

X_ Officer (give title below) below) MARKET PRESIDENT

122 W MADISON STREET

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

OTTAWA, IL 61350

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (T) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

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

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Derivative Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Instr. 3, 4, and

(D) Date Expiration Title Amour Exercisable Date Number

Shares

31.05

PHANTOM STOCK

<u>(1)</u> 03/06/2009

A 31.0582

(A)

Code V

 $\underline{\text{(1)}}$ $\underline{\text{(1)}}$ COMMON STOCK

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 03/10/2009

**Signature of Person Date

Reporting Person

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) THE SHARES OF PHANTOM STOCK BECOME PAYABLE, IN CASH OR COMMON STOCK, AT THE ELECTION OF THE REPORTING PERSON, UPON THE REPORTING PERSON'S TERMINATION OF SERVICE.
- (2) REPORTING PERSON ALSO HOLDS 43,465 SHARES AND 33,807 STOCK OPTIONS GRANTED UNDER THE ISSUER'S STOCK OPTION PLAN.

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