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(Print or Type Responses)				
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> HELMAN ROBERT A	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NORTHERN TRUST CORP [NTRS]	5. Relationship of Issuer (Chec	Reporting Per	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 50 S. LA SALLE ST.	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/30/2005	X_ Director Officer (give below)		6 Owner er (specify
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Jo Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by O Form filed by M	One Reporting Pe	erson
CHICAGO, IL 60675		Person		1 8
(Instr. 3) any	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Ac emed 3. 4. Securities on Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) /Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Code V Code V Amount (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	f, or Beneficial 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock		3,600	D	
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Common Stock (1)		5,336.75	D	

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)	4. Transactia Code (Instr. 8)	Derivativ	Expiratior ve (Month/D s l		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities	8. Price of Derivativ Security (Instr. 5)
			Code V	· (A) (I	Date Exercisab	Expiration le Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Units	(2)	09/30/2005	А	388	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	388	\$ 0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
HELMAN ROBERT A					
50 S. LA SALLE ST.	Х				
CHICAGO, IL 60675					
Signatures					

Eileen C. Ratzka POA for Robert A. Helman

10/03/2005

**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) Represents stock units payable automatically on a 1-for-1 basis in shares of the Corporation's common stock.
- (2) 1-for-1

(3) The stock units will be paid in cash to the Director upon termination of the Director's service on the Board.

Stock units representing the deferral of a common stock grant (1997 Northern Trust Corporation Deferred Compensation Plan for
 (4) Non-Employee Directors), deferral of the quarterly retainer, and deferral of board and committee fees pursuant to the Northern Trust Corporation Deferred Compensation Plans for Non-Employee Directors.

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