

SOLON EVERETT J  
Form 5  
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**FORM 5**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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

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. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)  
12/31/2007

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

122 W MADISON STREET

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

(check applicable line)

OTTAWA, IL 61350

Form Filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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 at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
COMMON STOCK	^	^	^	^ ^ ^	15,735 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	^
COMMON STOCK	^	^	^	^ ^ ^	26,612	I	401K PLAN

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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					(A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION	\$ 16.0625	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	11/18/2002 11/18/2009	COMMON STOCK	1
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION	\$ 18.5	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	02/16/2003 02/16/2008	COMMON STOCK	3,0
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION	\$ 15	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	02/11/2004 02/11/2009	COMMON STOCK	3,5
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION	\$ 11.75	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	02/15/2006 02/15/2011	COMMON STOCK	3,1
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION	\$ 14.25	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	11/13/2006 02/20/2012	COMMON STOCK	4,0
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION	\$ 15.09	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	11/13/2006 12/19/2012	COMMON STOCK	2,9
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION	\$ 20.3	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	11/13/2006 06/16/2015	COMMON STOCK	5,0
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION	\$ 19.03	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	01/31/2008 01/31/2014	COMMON STOCK	5,0

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SOLON EVERETT J  
122 W MADISON STREET     Â     Â     Â MARKET PRESIDENT     Â  
OTTAWA,Â ILÂ 61350

## Signatures

EVERETT J.                                     01/16/2008  
SOLON

\_\_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 6,040 SHARES HELD INDIVIDUALLY.

(2) THIS OPTION WILL VEST IN EQUAL INSTALLMENTS OF 1,000 SHARES PER YEAR OVER 5 YEARS BEGINNING 01/31/08.

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