FLAHAVEN STEVEN E

Form 4

February 02, 2007

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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1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FLAHAVEN STEVEN E

(First)

(Street)

(Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

CENTRUE FINANCIAL CORP

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

[TRUE]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

X_ Officer (give title

(Month/Day/Year) below) 122 W MADISON STREET 01/31/2007

EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person 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)

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 Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Other (specify

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

COMMON STOCK

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

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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)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number op for 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 Am Underlying Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nur of Sha
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RIGHT TO BUY)	\$ 19.03	01/31/2007		A	5,000	01/31/2008	01/31/2014	COMMON STOCK	5,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FLAHAVEN STEVEN E 122 W MADISON STREET OTTAWA, IL 61350

EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

Signatures

STEVEN E

FLAHAVEN 02/02/2007

**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 ACCUMULATED THROUGH THE EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP PLAN.
- (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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