

CENTRUE FINANCIAL CORP  
 Form 4  
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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 \*  
 HEJNA MICHAEL 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. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

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

122 W MADISON STREET

08/04/2008

(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

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 (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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount (A) or Price (D)   |  |   |
| COMMON STOCK                    | 08/04/2008                           |  | P                              |   | 55 A \$ 13.39   | D  |   |
| COMMON STOCK                    | 08/04/2008                           |  | P                              |   | 100 A \$ 13.08  | D  |   |
| COMMON STOCK                    | 08/04/2008                           |  | P                              |   | 100 A \$ 13.11  | D  |   |
| COMMON STOCK                    | 08/04/2008                           |  | P                              |   | 100 A \$ 13.24  | D  |   |
| COMMON STOCK                    | 08/04/2008                           |  | P                              |   | 100 A \$ 13.3   | D  |   |

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|--------------|------------|---|-----|---|----------|-----------------------|---|
| COMMON STOCK | 08/04/2008 | P | 100 | A | \$ 13.36 | 26,633                | D |
| COMMON STOCK | 08/04/2008 | P | 100 | A | \$ 13.4  | 26,733                | D |
| COMMON STOCK | 08/04/2008 | P | 500 | A | \$ 13.52 | 27,233                | D |
| COMMON STOCK | 08/04/2008 | P | 100 | A | \$ 13.58 | 27,333                | D |
| COMMON STOCK | 08/04/2008 | P | 200 | A | \$ 13.12 | 27,533                | D |
| COMMON STOCK | 08/04/2008 | P | 200 | A | \$ 13.37 | 27,733                | D |
| COMMON STOCK | 08/04/2008 | P | 200 | A | \$ 13.43 | 27,933                | D |
| COMMON STOCK | 08/04/2008 | P | 445 | A | \$ 13.48 | 28,378                | D |
| COMMON STOCK | 08/04/2008 | P | 200 | A | \$ 13.51 | 28,578                | D |
| COMMON STOCK | 08/04/2008 | P | 300 | A | \$ 13.59 | 28,878                | D |
| COMMON STOCK | 08/04/2008 | P | 400 | A | \$ 13.23 | 29,278                | D |
| COMMON STOCK | 08/04/2008 | P | 500 | A | \$ 13.42 | 29,778                | D |
| COMMON STOCK | 08/04/2008 | P | 600 | A | \$ 13.47 | 30,378                | D |
| COMMON STOCK | 08/04/2008 | P | 700 | A | \$ 13.56 | 31,078 <sup>(1)</sup> | 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) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or | 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. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo |
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Disposed  
of (D)  
(Instr. 3,  
4, and 5)

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| Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |
|------|---|-----|-----|---------------------|--------------------|-------|--|
|------|---|-----|-----|---------------------|--------------------|-------|--|

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                              | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| HEJNA MICHAEL J<br>122 W MADISON STREET<br>OTTAWA, IL 61350 |               | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

|                                    |            |
|------------------------------------|------------|
| MICHAEL J.<br>HEJNA                | 08/07/2008 |
| **Signature of<br>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 ARE HELD INDIVIDUALLY WITH THE EXCEPTION OF 10,000 SHARES IN A JOINT ACCOUNT WITH SPOUSE. THE REPORTING PERSON ALSO HOLDS 28,000 IN STOCK OPTIONS.

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