HEARTLAND FINANCIAL USA INC

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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obligations

(Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading HORSTMANN DOUGLAS J Issuer Symbol HEARTLAND FINANCIAL USA (Check all applicable) INC [HTLF] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 1398 CENTRAL AVE. 07/28/2016 EVP, Lending (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting DUBUQUE, IA 52001 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Direct (D) Ownership (Instr. 8) Owned Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 07/28/2016 M 1.500 Α $0^{(1)}$ D Stock 29.65 Common 07/28/2016 F 1,302 D D 113,093

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Retirement

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 $\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

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)	Secu Acqu (A) o Dispo	rities aired or osed of r. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right To Buy)	\$ 29.65						<u>(3)</u>	01/16/2017	Common Stock	1,50
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right To Buy)	\$ 29.65	07/28/2016		D		1,500	<u>(3)</u>	01/16/2017	Common Stock	1,50
2012 Time-Based Restricted Stock	<u>(4)</u>						<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	1,06
2013 Time-Based Restricted Stock	<u>(4)</u>						<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	1,50
2014 Time-Based Restricted Stock	<u>(4)</u>						<u>(7)</u>	<u>(7)</u>	Common Stock	2,02
2014 Performance Based Restricted Stock	<u>(4)</u>						(8)	(8)	Common Stock	1,66
2015 Time-Based Restricted	<u>(4)</u>						<u>(9)</u>	<u>(9)</u>	Common Stock	2,05

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Stock					
2015 Performance Based Restricted Stock	<u>(4)</u>	(10)	(10)	Common Stock	1,99
2016 Time-Based Restricted Stock	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(11)</u>	(11)	Common Stock	1,42
2016 Performance Based Restricted Stock (1-year performance)	<u>(4)</u>	(12)	(12)	Common Stock	1,51
2016 Performance Based Restricted Stock (3-year performance)	(4)	(13)	(13)	Common Stock	758

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
Fg	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
HORSTMANN DOUGLAS J						
1398 CENTRAL AVE.			EVP, Lending			
DUBUQUE, IA 52001						

Signatures

/s/ Douglas J.
Horstmann

**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) Multi line entry --- see next line for total
- (2) Represents shares allocated to the reporting person's account under the Heartland Financial USA, Inc. Retirement Plan as a result of the Pension Plan Protectin Act of 2006.
- (3) Represents options to buy granted under the Company's Stock Option Plan, a Rule 16(b)(3) plan, which options vest one-third per year beginning on the 3rd anniversary of date of grant.
- (4) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Issuer's common stock.

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- (5) Of these restricted stock units, 1/3 vest on 1-17-2015, 1/3 vest on 1-17-2016, and 1/3 vest on 1-17-2017.
- (6) Of these restricted stock units, 1/3 vest on 1-22-2016, 1/3 vest on 1-22-2017, and 1/3 vest on 1-22-2018.
- (7) Of these restricted stock units, 1/3 vest on 3-11-2017, 1/3 vest on 3-11-2018, and 1/3 vest on 3-11-2019.
- (8) These restricted stock units vest on 1-18-2017 if certain performance measures are achieved by the Issuer.
- (9) Of these restricted stock units, 1/3 vest on 1-20-2018, 1/3 vest on 1-20-2019, and 1/3 vest on 1-20-2020.
- (10) These restricted stock units vest on 1-18-2018 if certain performance measures are achieved by the Issuer.
- (11) Of these restricted stock units, 1/3 vest on 1-19-2017, 1/3 vest on 1-19-2018, and 1/3 vest on 1-19-2019.
- (12) These restricted stock units vest on 1-19-2019 if certain performance measures are achieved by the Issuer.
- (13) These restricted stock units vest in 2019 if certain performance measures are achieved by the Issuer.

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