

Finch Norman D. Jr.
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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 *
 Finch Norman D. Jr.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ILLINOIS TOOL WORKS INC
 [ITW]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 155 HARLEM AVE.
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/15/2018

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Sr. VP, General Counsel & Secy

GLENVIEW, IL 60025
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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)
Common Stock				(A) or (D)	4,391 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Common Stock					615	I	SEE FOOTNOTE ⁽²⁾

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 of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title
Employee Stock Option	\$ 126.88					02/01/2018 ⁽³⁾ 02/01/2027	Common Stock
Restricted Stock Unit (granted 2/1/17) ⁽⁴⁾	\$ 0					⁽⁵⁾ ⁽⁵⁾	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 128					02/10/2018 ⁽³⁾ 02/10/2027	Common Stock
Performance Share Units granted 2/10/17 ⁽⁴⁾ ⁽⁶⁾	\$ 0					⁽⁷⁾ ⁽⁷⁾	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option	\$ 163.36	02/15/2018		A	11,411	02/15/2019 ⁽³⁾ 02/15/2028	Common Stock
Performance Share Units (granted 2/15/18) ⁽⁴⁾ ⁽⁶⁾	\$ 0	02/15/2018		A	1,339	⁽⁷⁾ ⁽⁷⁾	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Finch Norman D. Jr. 155 HARLEM AVE. GLENVIEW, IL 60025			Sr. VP, General Counsel & Secy	

Signatures

Norman D. Finch, Jr. by Janet O. Love, Deputy General Counsel & Assistant Secretary,
Attorney-In Fact POA on File.

02/20/2018

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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- (1) Includes 20 shares acquired under a dividend reinvestment plan.
- (2) Shares of common stock held in spouse's IRA.
- (3) Options vest in four (4) equal installments beginning one year from date of grant.
- (4) Each restricted stock unit (RSU) and performance share unit (PSU) represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Company's common stock.
- (5) Each RSU vests 100% three years from the date of grant.
- (6) PSUs accrue dividends in shares of common stock, subject to fulfillment of vesting period and performance goals; the PSUs shown include dividend equivalents, if any, accrued to date.
- (7) Each PSU vests 100% three years from the date of grant if performance goals are met.

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