STEWART INFORMATION SERVICES CORP

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. n/a)*

STEWART INFORMATION SERVICES CORP

(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock

(Title of Class of Securities)

860372101

(CUSIP Number)

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(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

October 25, 2016

(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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NAMES OF REPORTING PERSONS I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY) DRIEHAUS CAPITAL MANAGEMENT LLC CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (a) o 2 (b)xSEC USE ONLY 3 SOURCE OF FUNDS 4 CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 2(e) or 2(f) CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION Delaware, USA SOLE VOTING POWER 7 SHARED VOTING POWER NUMBER OF SHARES 8 1,200,311 BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER 9 PERSON WITH SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 10 1,200,311 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 1,200,311 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES 12 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11) 13 5.04% TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON 14 ΙA

Item 1. Security and Issuer

This statement relates to the Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share (the "Common Stock"), of Stewart Information Services Corporation (the "Company"), a company existing under the laws of Delaware. The principal executive offices of the Company are located at 1980 Post Oak Blvd., Houston, Texas 77056, telephone (713) 625-8100.

Item 2. Identity and Background

- (a) The Reporting Person is Driehaus Capital Management LLC ("DCM"). DCM is a Delaware limited liability company and a registered investment adviser. The executive officers of DCM are Richard H. Driehaus (Chairman), Robert Gordon (President and Chief Executive Officer), Michelle Cahoon (Managing Director, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer), Janet McWilliams (Managing Director and General Counsel), Stephen Weber (Managing Director, Sales and Relationship Management), Carla Dawson (Managing Director, Human Resources), Thomas Seftenberg (Managing Director, Relationship Management and Marketing), Michael Shoemaker (Chief Compliance Officer), Kenneth Nelson (Managing Director and Portfolio Manager), Maximilian Heitner (Managing Director, Risk Management and Research) and Daniel Rea (Managing Director, Research). DCM does not have a board of directors. The entity controlling DCM is Driehaus Capital Holdings LLLP, a Delaware limited liability limited partnership.
- (b) The address of the principal office of DCM, its controlling entity listed above and its officers listed above is 25 East Erie Street, Chicago, IL 60611.
- (c) DCM is a registered investment adviser. The occupations of DCM's executive officers are noted in "a" above.
- (d) During the last five years, the Reporting Person, controlling entity and executive officers have not been convicted in a criminal proceeding.
- (e) During the last five years, the Reporting Person, controlling entity and executive officers have not been party to a civil proceeding as described in Item 2(e) of Schedule 13D.
- (f) All executive officers are US citizens.

Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration

To acquire the Common Stock, two registered investment companies advised by DCM used funds totaling \$54,472,785.72, inclusive of brokerage commissions

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction

The Reporting Person purchased the shares on behalf of two registered investment companies advised by it based on the Reporting Person's belief that the shares, when purchased, were undervalued and represented an attractive investment opportunity. Depending upon overall market conditions, other investment opportunities available to the Reporting Person, and the availability of shares at prices that would make the purchase or sale of shares desirable, the Reporting Person may increase or decrease its position in the Company.

(a) As investors in the Company, the Reporting Person may have discussions with members of Company management, the Company's board of directors and other shareholders of the Company which may relate to or

result in the acquisition by any person of additional securities of the Company, or the disposition of securities of the Company.

- (b) As investors in the Company, the Reporting Person may have discussions with members of Company management, the Company's board of directors and other shareholders of the Company which may relate to or result in an extraordinary corporate transaction, such as a merger, reorganization or liquidation, involving the Company or any of its subsidiaries.
- (c) As investors in the Company, the Reporting Person may have discussions with members of Company management, the Company's board of directors and other shareholders of the Company which may relate to or result in a sale or transfer of a material amount of assets of the Company or any of its subsidiaries.
- (d) As investors in the Company, the Reporting Person may have discussions with members of Company management, the Company's board of directors and other shareholders of the Company which may relate to or result in any change in the present board of directors or management of the Company, including any plans or proposals to change the number or term of directors or to fill any existing vacancies on the board.
- (e) As investors in the Company, the Reporting Person may have discussions with members of Company management, the Company's board of directors and other shareholders of the Company which may relate to or result in any material change in the present capitalization or dividend policy of the Company.
- (f) As investors in the Company, the Reporting Person may have discussions with members of Company management, the Company's board of directors and other shareholders of the Company which may relate to or result in any other material change in the Company's business or corporate structure including but not limited to, if the Company is a registered closed-end investment company, any plans or proposals to make any changes in its investment policy for which a vote is required by section 13 of the Investment Company Act of 1940.
- (g) As investors in the Company, the Reporting Person may have discussions with members of Company management, the Company's board of directors and other shareholders of the Company which may relate to or result in changes in the Company's certificate of incorporation, bylaws or instruments corresponding thereto or other actions which may impede the acquisition of control of the Company by any person.
- (h) As investors in the Company, the Reporting Person may have discussions with members of Company management, the Company's board of directors and other shareholders of the Company which may relate to or result in causing a class of securities of the Company to be delisted from a national securities exchange or to cease to be authorized to be quoted in an inter-dealer quotation system of a registered national securities association.
- (i) As investors in the Company, the Reporting Person may have discussions with members of Company management, the Company's board of directors and other shareholders of the Company which may relate to or result in a class of equity securities of the Company becoming eligible for termination of registration pursuant to Section 12(g)(4) of the Act.
- (j) As investors in the Company, the Reporting Person may have discussions with members of Company management, the Company's board of directors and other shareholders of the Company which may relate to or result in any action similar to any of those enumerated above.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer

(a) The aggregate number and percentage of the class of securities identified pursuant to Item 1 beneficially owned by the Reporting Person is stated in Items 11 and 13 on the cover page hereto.

- (b) The number of shares to which the Reporting Person has sole power to vote or direct the vote, shared power to vote or direct the vote, sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition and shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition is stated in Items 7-10 on the cover page hereto.
- (c) The transactions in the class of securities reported on that were effected during the past sixty days by the Reporting Person are described below. The transactions were effected by DCM as the investment adviser on behalf of two registered investment companies which are series of Driehaus Mutual Funds. All purchases were effected in the open market.

Transaction Date	Shares or Units Purchased (Sold)	Price Per Share or Unit
10/10/2016	100,000	43.75
10/11/2016	15,000	44.17
10/11/2016	35,000	43.77
10/11/2016	15,000	44.17
10/11/2016	35,000	43.77
10/12/2016	1,638	44.69
10/12/2016	22,656	44.68
10/12/2016	3,662	44.69
10/12/2016	50,644	44.68
10/13/2016	202	45.10
10/13/2016	2,046	45.64
10/13/2016	6,244	45.42
10/13/2016	9,400	45.09
10/13/2016	10,600	45.14
10/13/2016	24,700	45.65
10/13/2016	69,630	45.48
10/14/2016	1,100	46.23
10/14/2016	10,600	46.37
10/14/2016	18,198	46.32
10/17/2016	2,887	46.49
10/17/2016	7,700	46.25
10/17/2016	8,119	46.08
10/17/2016	11,729	46.60
10/18/2016	538	46.32
10/18/2016	654	46.32
10/18/2016	8,600	45.84
10/18/2016	19,149	46.08
10/18/2016	25,200	46.36
10/18/2016	33,791	45.65
10/18/2016	51,100	46.32
10/18/2016	75,100	46.02
10/19/2016	10,000	45.91
10/19/2016	10,300	45.64
10/19/2016	12,900	45.96
10/19/2016	15,427	45.55
10/19/2016	19,900	45.63
10/19/2016	20,506	45.96
10/19/2016	45,106	45.93
10/20/2016	5,200	45.19
10/20/2016	12,800	45.54

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10/20/2016	17,772	45.50
10/20/2016	18,022	45.19
10/21/2016	4,373	45.11
10/21/2016	4,924	45.12
10/21/2016	6,382	45.09
10/21/2016	10,321	45.13
10/21/2016	6,727	45.11
10/21/2016	7,576	45.12
10/21/2016	9,818	45.09
10/21/2016	15,879	45.13
10/24/2016	3,063	45.11
10/24/2016	3,680	45.05
10/24/2016	47,128	45.11
10/24/2016	56,620	45.05
10/25/2016	13	46.00
10/25/2016	112	45.99
10/25/2016	148	46.14
10/25/2016	225	46.21
10/25/2016	324	46.67
10/25/2016	652	45.94
10/25/2016	797	45.65
10/25/2016	1,418	46.93
10/25/2016	2,061	46.73
10/25/2016	4,250	45.68
10/25/2016	187	46.00
10/25/2016	1,688	45.99
10/25/2016	2,214	46.14
10/25/2016	3,375	46.21
10/25/2016	4,863	46.67
10/25/2016	9,782	45.94
10/25/2016	11,948	45.65
10/25/2016	21,278	46.93
10/25/2016	30,915	46.73
10/25/2016	63,750	45.68

- (d) Two investment companies which are series of Driehaus Mutual Funds have the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from the sales of, the securities covered by this statement.
- (e) Not applicable.

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer

Except as otherwise described herein, the Reporting Person or, to the Reporting Person's knowledge, the controller or executive officers do not have any contracts, arrangements, understandings or relationships (legal or otherwise) with any other person with respect to any securities of the Company.

Item 7. Material to Be Filed as Exhibits

Exhibit 1. Statement from DCM regarding Stewart Information Services Corp.

Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Driehaus Capital Management LLC

October 27, 2016 By: /s/ Robert H. Gordon

President and Chief Executive Officer

The original statement shall be signed by each person on whose behalf the statement is filed or his authorized representative. If the statement is signed on behalf of a person by his authorized representative (other than an executive officer or general partner of the filing person), evidence of the representative's authority to sign on behalf of such person shall be filed with the statement: provided, however, that a power of attorney for this purpose which is already on file with the Commission may be incorporated by reference. The name and any title of each person who signs the statement shall be typed or printed beneath his signature.

Footnotes:

Attention: Intentional misstatements or omissions of fact constitute Federal criminal violations (See 18 U.S.C. 1001)