SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * WIMBERLY JAMES C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO

[LUV]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

C/O SOUTHWEST AIRLINES

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title

(Month/Day/Year)

01/20/2005

below) **EVP-Chief of Operations**

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

DALLAS, TX 75235

Security

(Instr. 3)

CO, P O BOX 36611

(City) (State) (Zip) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 3. (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership Securities Beneficially Owned (I) Following (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

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

Code V Amount (D) Price

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

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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 Conversion 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

5. Number

6. Date Exercisable and (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date

7. Title and Amount of 8 Underlying Securities

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and	4)	S (I
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.25	01/20/2005		A	1,431 (1)		01/20/2005	01/20/2015	Common Stock	1,431	•
Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.25	01/20/2005		A	6,667 (2)		01/20/2007	01/20/2015	Common Stock	6,667	•
Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.25	01/20/2005		A	6,667 (2)		01/20/2005	01/20/2015	Common Stock	6,667	
Option (right to buy)	\$ 14.25	01/20/2005		A	6,666 (2)		01/20/2006	01/20/2015	Common Stock	6,666	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

WIMBERLY JAMES C C/O SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO P O BOX 36611 DALLAS, TX 75235

EVP-Chief of Operations

Signatures

On behalf of and attorney-in-fact for James C. Wimberly /s/Deborah
Ackerman

01/24/2005

**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) Options granted from 1996 NQ Plan.
- (2) Options granted from 1996 ISO.

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