#### SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO

Form 4

January 24, 2005

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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

WIMBERLY JAMES C

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O SOUTHWEST AIRLINES

CO, P O BOX 36611

(Street)

DALLAS, TX 75235

1. Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO [LUV]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/20/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

**EVP-Chief of Operations** 

10% Owner Other (specify

7. Nature of

Indirect

5. Amount of

Securities

Beneficially

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Issuer

below)

Director

Applicable Line)

X\_ Officer (give title

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

3. 4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or

> Code Disposed of (D) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

or

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

Code V Amount (D) Price

Owned Following

Ownership (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(D) or Indirect Beneficial

6. Ownership

Form: Direct

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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	3
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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