FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Nealon Thomas M (Last) (First) (Middle) SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO. 2702 LOVE FIELD DRIVE			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO [LUV]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title other) Diedow) below)					
		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/03/2021	President					
(Street) DALLAS (City)	TX (State)	75235 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					

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. Transac Code (Ir 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		(111311. 4)
Common Stock	02/03/2021		A		29,954(1)	A	\$0	186,163	D	
Common Stock	02/03/2021		A		40,059(2)	A	\$0	226,222	D	

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)		Derivative		Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative	Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Reflects the exempt acquisition of restricted stock units upon the satisfaction of performance criteria underlying an award of performance-based restricted stock units pursuant to the Southwest Airlines Co. Amended and Restated 2007 Equity Incentive Plan. The restricted stock units will vest on February 21, 2021, and will entitle the reporting person to one share of common stock for each restricted stock unit that vests.
- 2. Reflects the exempt acquisition of restricted stock units pursuant to the Southwest Airlines Co. Amended and Restated 2007 Equity Incentive Plan. The restricted stock units will vest with respect to one-third of the shares covered thereby annually, beginning on February 21, 2022, and will entitle the reporting person to one share of common stock for each restricted stock unit that vests.

/s/ Tim Whisler, on behalf of and as attorney-in-fact for Thomas M. 02/05/2021 Nealon

Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

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

- * 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).

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