FORM 4

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1. Name and Address	. 0		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO [LUV]	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
KELLY GARY C			DOUTHWEST TIMES TO LEG DOT	X	Director	10% Owner			
(Last) (First) (Middl		(Middle)		X	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
C/O SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO P O BOX 36611		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/20/2005		CEO	·			
(Street) DALLAS	•		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indivi	dual or Joint/Group Filing (Che Form filed by One Reporting Form filed by More than One	Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)			,				

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	Date (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr.	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	3 and 4)		(111501. 4)

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. Transac Code (Ir 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)]` ' '		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	10. 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)		
Option (Right to Buy)	\$14.25	01/20/2005		A		4,322 ⁽¹⁾		01/20/2005	01/20/2015	Common Stock	4,322	\$14.25	4,322	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Options granted from the 1996 NQ Plan.

On behalf of and attorney-in-fact for Gary C. Kelly /s/ Deborah

Ackerman

01/24/2005

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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