FORM 4

### **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1 . Name and Address of Reporting Lesson			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO [ LUV ]	(Check	ionship of Reporting Person(s all applicable) Director Officer (give title	) to Issuer  10% Owner Other (specify		
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO 2702 LOVE FIELD DR PO BOX 36611		,	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/17/2006	X	EVP-Custome	below)		
(Street) DALLAS (City)	DALLAS TX 75235-1611		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)	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Securities	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
		Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	3 and 4)		(IIISu. 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)		Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		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)	\$17.53	03/17/2006		A		10,000		12/31/2006	03/17/2016	Common Stock	10,000(1)	\$17.53	10,000	D	
Option (Right to Buy)	\$17.53	03/17/2006		A		10,000		12/31/2007	03/17/2016	Common Stock	10,000(1)	\$17.53	20,000	D	
Option (Right to Buy)	\$17.53	03/17/2006		A		5,174		12/31/2008	03/17/2016	Common Stock	5,174 <sup>(1)</sup>	\$17.53	25,174	D	
Option (Right to Buy)	\$17.53	03/17/2006		A		4,826		12/31/2008	03/17/2016	Common Stock	4,826(1)	\$17.53	4,826	D	

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

On behalf of and attorney-in-fact-

for Donna D. Conover /s/ Deborah 03/21/2006

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

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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<sup>1.</sup> Options granted from the 1996 ISO Plan.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Signature of Reporting Person Date

<sup>\*</sup> If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

<sup>\*\*</sup> Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).