

SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 BARRETT COLLEEN C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO  
 [LUV]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 C/O SOUTHWEST AIRLINES  
 CO, P O BOX 36611  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/15/2005

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 President

DALLAS, TX 75235

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	12/15/2005		M		33,087 <u>(1)</u>	A	\$ 4.98 97,831 D
Common Stock	12/15/2005		F		16,129	D	\$ 16.425 81,702 D
Common Stock						I	1,490 Profit Sharing Plan <sup>(2)</sup>

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

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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 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)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V (A) (D)				
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 4.98	12/15/2005		M	33,087	01/26/1998 01/26/2006		Common Stock	33,087

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BARRETT COLLEEN C C/O SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO P O BOX 36611 DALLAS, TX 75235	X		President	

## Signatures

On behalf of and attorney in fact for Colleen C. Barrett /s/ Deborah Ackerman

12/19/2005

\_\_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 the 1991 NQ Plan.

(2) The information reported herein is based on a plan statement dated December 31, 2004.

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