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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Wright Laura

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO [LUV]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title

2702 LOVE FIELD DRIVE, P.O.

(Street)

12/07/2005

below) Sr. VP Finance & CFO

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4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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DALLAS, TX 75235-1611

(City)	(State)	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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	12/07/2005		M	9,356	A	\$ 4.98	26,594	D		
Common Stock	12/07/2005		M	9,038	A	\$ 4.98	35,632	D		
Common Stock	12/07/2005		S	9,038	D	\$ 16.47	26,594	D		
Common Stock							9,477	I	ProfitSharing Plan	

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number tion 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)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Common Stock	\$ 4.98	12/07/2005		M		9,356	01/26/2005	01/26/2006	Common Stock	9,356
Common Stock	\$ 4.98	12/07/2005		M		9,038	01/26/2005	01/26/2006	Common Stock	9,038

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Wright Laura 2702 LOVE FIELD DRIVE P.O. BOX 36611 DALLAS, TX 75235-1611

Sr. VP Finance & CFO

Signatures

on behalf of and attorney-in-fact for Laura Wright /s/ Deborah Ackerman

12/08/2005

**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).

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