#### SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO

Form 4

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## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* KELLY GARY C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

[LUV] (Last) (First) (Middle)

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

07/30/2008

X\_ Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO., 2702 LOVE FIELD DRIVE

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

COB, Pres., & CEO

\_X\_\_ Director

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

DALLAS, TX 75235-1611

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secur	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of	or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit corr Dispos (Instr. 3,	ed of (	` ′	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)
Common Stock	07/30/2008		M	6,687	A	\$ 10.88	147,432	D	
Common Stock	07/30/2008		M	21,001	A	\$ 10.35	168,433	D	
Common Stock	07/30/2008		F	20,314	D	\$ 15.665	148,119	D	

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	ive Expiration Date ies (Month/Day/Year) ed (A) osed of		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitic (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 10.88	07/30/2008		M	6,687	01/01/2000(1)	01/01/2010	Common Stock	6,68
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 10.35	07/30/2008		M	21,001	<u>(1)</u>	01/19/2010	Common Stock	21,0

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
r	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
KELLY GARY C SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO. 2702 LOVE FIELD DRIVE DALLAS TX 75235-1611	X		COB, Pres., & CEO				

### **Signatures**

/s/ Laura H. Wright on behalf of and as attorney-in-fact for Gary C. Kelly

08/01/2008

\*\*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) The option vested in installments and was 100% vested at the time of exercise.

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