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FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549							OMB Number:	3235-0287			
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(Print or Type R	esponses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> KELLY GARY C			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO [LUV]				7	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/27/2016					X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) COB, Pres., & CEO			
Filed(M				f Amendment, Date Original ed(Month/Day/Year)				 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting 			
DALLAS, T	X 75235-1908							Person		·r····o	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acc	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year) Execution any		Code	on(A) or Dis (D) (Instr. 3, 4	sposed and 5 (A) or	of 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)		
Common Stock	01/27/2016			A A	Amount 70,595 (1)	(D) A	Price \$ 0	544,087	D		
Common Stock								55,834 <u>(2)</u>	I	By Family Trust	
Common Stock								55,834 <u>(3)</u>	I	By Family Trust	

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)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Titl Amou Under Securi (Instr.	int of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secu Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address				
r. o	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KELLY GARY C SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO. 2702 LOVE FIELD DRIVE DALLAS, TX 75235-1908	Х		COB, Pres., & CEC)
Signatures				
/s/ Tim Whisler, on behalf of and Kelly	l as attorn	ey-in-fact fo	or Gary C.	01/29/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).

Reflects the exempt acquisition of restricted stock units pursuant to the Southwest Airlines Co. Amended and Restated 2007 Equity(1) Incentive Plan. The restricted stock units will vest with respect to one-third of the shares covered thereby annually, beginning on February 21, 2017, and will entitle the reporting person to one share of common stock for each restricted stock unit that vests.

- (2) These shares are held in trust for the benefit of the reporting person's spouse and descendants. The reporting person's spouse is trustee of the trust.
- (3) These shares are held in trust for the reporting person and his descendants. The reporting person is trustee of the trust.

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