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FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Jordan Robert E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO

Issuer
(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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

SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO., 2702 LOVE FIELD DRIVE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

 Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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05/18/2011

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DALLAS, TX 75235-1908

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities A	equired, Dispose	d of, or Benef	icially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			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	05/18/2011		A	78,000 (1)	A	\$0	153,000	D	
Common Stock	05/19/2011		F	6,613	D	\$ 12.4	146,387	D	
Common Stock							6,704 (2)	I	By ProfitSharing Plan

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 o	f 2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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						Exercisable Date	Date	Title	Number		
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Jordan Robert E SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CO. 2702 LOVE FIELD DRIVE DALLAS, TX 75235-1908

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Signatures

/s/ Marilyn R. Post on behalf of and as attorney-in-fact for Robert E. Jordan

05/20/2011

**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).
 - 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 May 18, 2012, and will entitle the reporting person to one share of common stock for each restricted stock unit that vests.
- (2) Holdings reflect exempt transactions under the Issuer's ProfitSharing Plan.

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