

WILLIS LEASE FINANCE CORP  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
NORD THOMAS C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
WILLIS LEASE FINANCE CORP  
[wlfc]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
773 SAN MARIN DRIVE, SUITE  
2215

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
01/03/2011

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below)  
\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
SVP, Gen. Counsel, Secretary

(Street)  
NOVATO, CA 94998

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	Amount or Price			
Common Stock	01/03/2011	01/03/2011	S	V	1,300 (1)	D \$ 13.2512	102,890	D	
Common Stock	01/04/2011	01/04/2011	S	V	3,000 (1)	D \$ 13.3071	99,890	D	
Common Stock	01/05/2011	01/05/2011	S	V	3,000 (1)	D \$ 13.4504	96,890	D	
Common Stock	01/06/2011	01/06/2011	S	V	3,000 (1)	D \$ 13.4846	93,890	D	
Common Stock	01/12/2011	01/12/2011	S	V	3,000 (1)	D \$ 14	90,890	D	

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Common Stock    01/17/2011    01/17/2011    F    1,818<sub>(2)</sub>    D    \$ 13.73    89,072    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. 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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

NORD THOMAS C  
773 SAN MARIN DRIVE  
SUITE 2215  
NOVATO, CA 94998

SVP, Gen. Counsel, Secretary

## Signatures

Thomas C. Nord    01/18/2011

\_\_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).
- (1) Shares sold pursuant to a 10b5-1 transaction.
- (2) Return to Issuer of previously restricted shares to satisfy withholding tax liability.

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