

WILLIS LEASE FINANCE CORP
 Form 4
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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 *
 NUNEMAKER DONALD A

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)
 09/04/2008

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 EVP, General Mgr. Leasing

(Street)
 NOVATO, CA 94998

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 | | | | (A) or (D) |
| Common Stock | 09/04/2008 | 09/04/2008 | M | | | 10,000 | A \$ 5.5 | 51,307 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/04/2008 | 09/04/2008 | S | | | 10,000 | D \$ 12.7171 | 41,307 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/05/2008 | 09/05/2008 | M | | | 3,111 | A \$ 4.19 | 44,418 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/05/2008 | 09/05/2008 | S | | | 3,111 | D \$ 12.7382 | 41,307 | D | |
| Common Stock | 09/05/2008 | 09/05/2008 | M | | | 2,500 | A \$ 5.5 | 43,807 | D | |

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Common Stock 09/05/2008 09/05/2008 S 2,500 D \$ 12.7382 41,307 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Incentive Stock Option | \$ 5.5 | 09/04/2008 | 09/04/2008 | M | 10,000 | 10/13/2004 10/13/2010 | Common Stock | 10,000 |
| Non-qualified Stock Option | \$ 4.19 | 09/05/2008 | 09/05/2008 | M | 3,111 | 10/25/2003 10/25/2009 | Common Stock | 3,111 |
| Incentive Stock Option | \$ 5.5 | 09/05/2008 | 09/05/2008 | M | 2,500 | 10/13/2004 10/13/2010 | Common Stock | 2,500 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships |
|---|---|
| NUNEMAKER DONALD A 773 SAN MARIN DRIVE SUITE 2215 NOVATO, CA 94998 | Director 10% Owner Officer EVP, General Mgr. Leasing |

Signatures

Donald A.
Nunemaker 09/05/2008
Date
**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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