

Willis Austin Chandler
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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 *
Willis Austin Chandler

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
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/11/2017

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
SVP, Corporate Development

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 (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 12/11/2017 | | G | V 584 ⁽¹⁾ A \$ 0 | 2,630 | I | CFW V 2016 Trust |
| Common Stock | 12/29/2017 | 12/29/2017 | J | 6,338 ⁽²⁾ A \$ 0 | 8,968 | I | CFW V 2016 Trust |
| Common Stock | | | | | 94,052 | 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 Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
| | | | | 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 |
| Willis Austin Chandler 773 SAN MARIN DRIVE SUITE 2215 NOVATO, CA 94998 | X | | SVP, Corporate Development | |

Signatures

Austin C. Willis 12/29/2017

 **Signature of Date
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).
- (1) Gift of shares to Austin Willis, as Trustee of the CWV Trust
- (2) Shares transferred from Charles F. Willis V UTMA Trust to Austin Willis Trustee, as Trustee of the Charles F. Willis, V 2016 Trust (the "CWV Trust").

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