

WILMINGTON TRUST CORP
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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 *
 ELLIOTT R KEITH

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 WILMINGTON TRUST CORP
 [WL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 10/03/2005

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

249 TRADEWIND DRIVE

(Street)

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

PALM BEACH, FL 33480

(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)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock					5,673	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)

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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
Phantom Stock Units	(1)	10/03/2005		A	23,924	(2) (2)	Common Stock	23,924
Non-Statutory Stock Options (3)	\$ 31.375					05/17/2001 05/16/2011	Common Stock	8,000
Non-Statutory Stock Option (3)	\$ 27.91					02/20/2006 02/19/2013	Common Stock	3,000
Non-Statutory Stock Option (3)	\$ 37.02					02/25/2007 02/24/2014	Common Stock	8,000
Non-Statutory Stock Option (3)	\$ 33.9					02/25/2008 02/20/2015	Common Stock	4,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ELLIOTT R KEITH 249 TRADEWIND DRIVE PALM BEACH, FL 33480		X		

Signatures

Gerard A. Chamberlain, Attorney-in-Fact Pursuant to Limited Power of Attorney

10/05/2005

**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) 1-for-1.
- (2) These phantom stock units may be exercised only for cash and only following the termination of the reporting person's service as a director. The information presented is as of October 3, 2005.
- (3) (Right to buy).

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