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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
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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)

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

RODNEY SQUARE NORTH, 1100
NORTH MARKET STREET

02/22/2006

Chairman and CEO

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

WILMINGTON, DE 19890-0001

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock	02/22/2006		A		5,928 A \$ 43.27	317,532	D
Common Stock	02/22/2006		M		100,000 A \$ 15.875	417,532	D
Common Stock	02/22/2006		F ⁽¹⁾		64,323 D \$ 43.27	353,209	D
Common Stock	02/23/2006		F		571 D \$ 43.39	352,638	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 Underlying (Instr. 3 and 4)
					V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	
Non-Statutory Stock Option (2)	\$ 15.875	02/22/2006		M		100,000	04/18/1997	04/17/2006	Common Stock
Non-Statutory Stock Option (2)	\$ 22.75						02/20/1998	02/19/2007	Common Stock
Non-Statutory Stock Option (2)	\$ 31.5						02/19/1999	02/18/2008	Common Stock
Non-Statutory Stock Option (2)	\$ 28.7812						02/18/2000	02/17/2009	Common Stock
Non-Statutory Stock Option (2)	\$ 24						02/16/2001	02/15/2010	Common Stock
Incentive Stock Option (2)	\$ 30.875						02/15/2002	02/14/2011	Common Stock
Non-Statutory Stock Option (2)	\$ 30.875						02/15/2002	02/14/2011	Common Stock
Incentive Stock Option (2)	\$ 32.985						02/11/2003	02/10/2012	Common Stock
Non-Statutory Stock Option (2)	\$ 32.985						02/11/2003	02/10/2012	Common Stock
Incentive Stock Option (2)	\$ 27.91						02/20/2006	02/19/2013	Common Stock

Non-Statutory Stock Option (2)	\$ 27.91					02/20/2006	02/19/2013	Common Stock
Incentive Stock Option (2)	\$ 37.02					02/25/2007	02/24/2014	Common Stock
Non-Statutory Stock Option (2)	\$ 37.02					02/25/2007	02/24/2014	Common Stock
Incentive Stock Option (2)	\$ 33.9					02/25/2008	02/20/2015	Common Stock
Non-Statutory Stock Options (2)	\$ 33.9					02/25/2008	02/20/2015	Common Stock
Non-Statutory Stock Options (2)	\$ 43.27	02/22/2006		A ⁽³⁾	90,000	02/23/2009	02/19/2016	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CECALA TED T RODNEY SQUARE NORTH 1100 NORTH MARKET STREET WILMINGTON, DE 19890-0001	X		Chairman and CEO	

Signatures

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

02/24/2006

**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) Reporting person paid exercise price and tax liability by having shares withheld.

(2) (Right to buy).

(3) Grant to reporting person of option to buy shares of common stock under registrant's 2005 Long-Term Incentive Plan in transaction exempt from Section 16b by virtue of Rule 16b-3(d)(2).

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