

GIBSON DAVID R  
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 \*  
**GIBSON DAVID R**

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)  
EVP and CFO

**RODNEY SQUARE NORTH, 100 NORTH MARKET 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  
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(Street)

**WILMINGTON, DE 19890-0001**

(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	04/26/2005		M	1,432 A \$ 15.75	50,203	D	
Common Stock	04/26/2005		M	638 A \$ 16.5	50,841	D	
Common Stock	04/26/2005		M	4,394 A \$ 22.75	55,235	D	
Common Stock	04/26/2005		M	606 A \$ 22.75	55,841	D	
Common Stock	04/26/2005		F	4,892 D \$ 35.11	50,949	D	

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Common Stock 90.735 <sup>(1)</sup> I By spouse

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
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Non-Statutory Stock Option <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 15.75	04/26/2005		M	1,432	02/01/1997	01/31/2006	Common Stock	1,432
Non-Statutory Stock Option <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 16.5	04/26/2005		M	638	02/15/1997	02/14/2006	Common Stock	638
Incentive Stock Option <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 22.75	04/26/2005		M	4,394	02/20/1998	02/19/2007	Common Stock	4,394
Non-Statutory Stock Option <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 22.75	04/26/2005		M	606	02/20/1998	02/19/2007	Common Stock	606
Incentive Stock Option <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 31.5					02/19/2000	02/18/2008	Common Stock	3,111
Non-Statutory Stock Option <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 31.5					02/19/1999	02/18/2009	Common Stock	8,888
Non-Statutory Stock Option <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 28.7812					02/17/2000	02/16/2009	Common Stock	20,000
Non-Statutory Stock Option	\$ 24					02/16/2001	02/15/2010	Common Stock	20,000

<u>(2)</u>						
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 30.875	02/15/2002	02/14/2011	Common Stock	3,2	
<u>(2)</u>						
Non-Statutory Stock Option	\$ 30.875	02/15/2002	02/14/2011	Common Stock	11,7	
<u>(2)</u>						
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 32.985	02/11/2003	02/10/2012	Common Stock	3,0	
<u>(2)</u>						
Non-Statutory Stock Option	\$ 32.985	02/11/2003	02/10/2012	Common Stock	26,9	
<u>(2)</u>						
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 27.91	02/20/2006	02/19/2013	Common Stock	3,5	
<u>(2)</u>						
Non-Statutory Stock Option	\$ 27.91	02/20/2006	02/19/2013	Common Stock	16,4	
<u>(2)</u>						
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 37.02	02/25/2007	02/24/2014	Common Stock	2,7	
<u>(2)</u>						
Non-Statutory Stock Option	\$ 37.02	02/25/2007	02/24/2014	Common Stock	17,2	
<u>(2)</u>						
Incentive Stock Option	\$ 33.9	02/25/2008	02/20/2015	Common Stock	2,9	
<u>(2)</u>						
Non-Statutory Stock Option	\$ 33.9	02/25/2008	02/20/2015	Common Stock	17,0	
<u>(2)</u>						

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GIBSON DAVID R RODNEY SQUARE NORTH 100 NORTH MARKET STREET WILMINGTON, DE 19890-0001			EVP and CFO	

## Signatures

David R. Gibson                      04/28/2005

\*\*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) Includes 30.735 shares held by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. pursuant to dividend reinvestment plan of registrant as of February 15, 2005.

(2) (Right to buy).

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