

SWEENEY THOMAS PATRICK  
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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 \*  
 SWEENEY THOMAS PATRICK

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)  
 06/30/2005

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

RICHARDS, LAYTON & FINGER, ONE RODNEY SQUARE

(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

WILMINGTON, DE 19898

(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)
Common Stock				(A) or (D) Price	14,649	I	By IRA
Common Stock				(A) or (D) Price	6,006	I	As Trustee of Trust

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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	06/30/2005		A	277	<u>(2)</u> <u>(2)</u>	Common Stock	2
Phantom Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	07/01/2005		A	62.923	<u>(3)</u> <u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	62
Non-Statutory Stock Options <u>(4)</u>	\$ 31.375					05/17/2001    05/16/2011	Common Stock	8,
Non-Statutory Stock Options <u>(4)</u>	\$ 27.91					02/20/2006    02/19/2013	Common Stock	3,
Non-Statutory Stock Option <u>(4)</u>	\$ 37.02					02/25/2007    02/24/2014	Common Stock	8,
Non-Statutory Stock Option <u>(1)</u>	\$ 33.9					02/25/2008    02/20/2015	Common Stock	4,

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SWEENEY THOMAS PATRICK RICHARDS, LAYTON & FINGER ONE RODNEY SQUARE WILMINGTON, DE 19898			X	

## Signatures

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

07/01/2005

\_\_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) One-for-one.

(2) These stock units will be settled in shares of registrant's common stock following the termination of the reporting person's service as a director. The information presented is as of June 30, 2005.

(3) 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 July 1, 2005.

(4) (Right to buy).

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