WILMINGTON TRUST CORP Form 3 January 28, 2008 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION FORM 3 Washington, D.C. 20549 OMB 3235-0104 Number: January 31, **INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF** Expires: 2005

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A Person <u>*</u> Balentine	-		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WILMINGTON TRUST CORP [WL]						
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	01/17/2008	4. Relationsh Person(s) to l	ip of Reporting Issuer	g 5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				
1100 N MA STREET,Â NORTH		SQUARE		(Check	c all applicable)				
(Street) WILMINGTON, DE 19890				.e		ow) Filing(Check Applicable Line)				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned							
1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)		2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)					
Common St	tock		345,767		D	Â				
Common St	ock		89,683		Ι	By The 1999 Balentine Family Trust				
Common St	tock		43,986		Ι	By Lillian Balentine Law, TTEE - Robert M. Balentine Insurance Trust				
Common St	tock		259,886		Ι	By spouse				

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Non-Statutory Stock Option (1)	02/11/2003	02/10/2012	Common	10,000	\$ 32.985	D	Â
Non-Statutory Stock Option (1)	02/20/2006	02/19/2013	Common	17,750	\$ 27.91	D	Â
Incentive Stock Option (1)	02/26/2007	02/25/2014	Common	2,701	\$ 37.02	D	Â
Non-Statutory Stock Option (1)	02/26/2007	02/25/2014	Common	7,299	\$ 37.02	D	Â
Non-Statutory Stock Option (1)	02/25/2008	02/20/2015	Common	8,051	\$ 33.9	D	Â
Incentive Stock Option (1)	02/25/2008	02/20/2015	Common	2,949	\$ 33.9	D	Â
Non-Statutory Stock Option (1)	02/23/2009	02/19/2016	Common	10,000	\$ 43.27	D	Â
Non-Statutory Stock Option (1)	02/15/2010	02/13/2017	Common	9,000	\$ 43.7	D	Â

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Balentine Robert M 1100 N MARKET STREET RODNEY SQUARE NORTH WILMINGTON, DE 19890	Â	Â	Executive Vice President	Â		

Signatures

/s/ Robert M. Balentine 01/24/2008 **Signature of Date Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

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(1) (Right to buy.)

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