

DELUXE CORP  
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 \*  
SCHRAM LEE J

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
3680 VICTORIA STREET NORTH  
(Street)

SHOREVIEW, MN 55126

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
DELUXE CORP [DLX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/23/2017

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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)
Comon Stock	02/23/2017		A	V	15,871 A \$ 0	302,651 <sup>(1)</sup> 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number of Shares
Common Stock Option	\$ 25.59					02/16/2012 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/16/2018	Common Stock	54,200		
Common Stock Option	\$ 25.45					02/16/2013 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/16/2019	Common Stock	106,000		
Common Stock Option	\$ 38.8					02/20/2014 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/20/2020	Common Stock	95,800		
Common Stock Option	\$ 50.32					02/27/2015 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/27/2021	Common Stock	64,400		
Common Stock Option	\$ 67.08					02/12/2016 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/12/2022	Common Stock	64,100		
Common Stock Option	\$ 54.3					02/17/2017 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/17/2023	Common Stock	127,200		
Common Stock Option	\$ 75.61	02/23/2017		A	77,700	02/23/2018 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/23/2024	Common Stock	77,700		

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SCHRAM LEE J 3680 VICTORIA STREET NORTH SHOREVIEW, MN 55126	X		Chief Executive Officer	

## Signatures

J. Michael Schroeder as Power of Attorney for Lee Schram  
02/27/2017

\_\_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) Total ownership includes 98,581 shares of restricted stock.

(2) Options vest in three equal installments on the three succeeding anniversary dates of the date of grant, provided the holder remains an employee of the Company. Date entered reflects date on which first installment vests(ed).

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