WILLIS LEASE FINANCE CORP

Form 4

January 30, 2008

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

WILLIS LEASE FINANCE CORP

Symbol

[WLFC]

1(b).

JACOBS SY

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(Last) ONE FIFT	(First) TH AVENUE	(Middle)		of Earliest /Day/Year) 2008		on		Director Officer (§ below)		_ 10% Owner _ Other (specify	
			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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(City)	(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)	Execution any (Month/Da	Date, if	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	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)	
Ordinary Shares	01/28/2008			P		A	\$ 12.43	640,100	I	By JAM Partners, L.P.	
Ordinary Shares	01/29/2008			P	4,472	A	\$ 12.46	644,572	I	By JAM Partners, L.P.	
Ordinary Shares	01/28/2008			P	1,305	A	\$ 12.43	277,792	I	By JAM Special Opportunities Fund, L.P. (2)	
	01/29/2008			P	4,472	A		282,264	I		

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Ordinary \$ By JAM
Shares \$ 12.46 Special

Opportunities Fund, L.P. (2)

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Ordinary Shares

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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. Transa Code (Instr. 3	ction	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Secur	int of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code	V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Reporting Owners

JACOBS SY ONE FIFTH AVENUE	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
		X					
JACOBS ASSET MANAGEMENT, LLC ONE FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10003		X					

Signatures

/s/ Sy Jacobs (+)

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Jacobs Asset Management, LLC, By: /s/ Sy Jacobs(+), Managing

Member

01/30/2008

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**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * 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).

These securities are owned by JAM Partners, L.P. (the "Partnership"). These securities may be deemed to be beneficially owned by JAM Managers L.L.C., the general partner of the Partnership, Jacobs Asset Management, LLC, the investment manager of the Partnership, and

(1) Sy Jacobs, the managing member of both JAM Managers L.L.C. and Jacobs Asset Management, LLC. Each such Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of his or its pecuniary interest therein, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that such Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of the securities for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or for any other purpose.

These securities are owned by JAM Special Opportunities Fund, L.P. (the "Fund"). These securities may be deemed to be beneficially owned by JAM Equity Partners, LLC, the general partner of the Fund, Jacobs Asset Management, LLC, the investment manager of the Fund, and Sy Jacobs, the management LLC. Each such

Fund, and Sy Jacobs, the managing member of both JAM Equity Partners, LLC and Jacobs Asset Management, LLC. Each such Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of his or its pecuniary interest therein, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that such Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of the securities for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or for any other purpose.

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