

ALASKA AIR GROUP, INC.
 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 *
LEVINE KYLE B

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
**ALASKA AIR GROUP, INC.
 [ALK]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
**ALASKA AIR GROUP,
 INC., 19300 INTERNATIONAL
 BLVD**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
02/14/2017

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

(Street)
SEATTLE, WA 98188

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) (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 ⁽¹⁾				(A) or (D) Code V Amount Price	4,426	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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS	\$ 0 ⁽²⁾	02/14/2017		A	760	02/14/2020 02/14/2027	COMMON STOCK
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTION (RT TO BUY)	\$ 96.3	02/14/2017		A	1,750	02/14/2018 ⁽³⁾ 02/14/2027	COMMON STOCK

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LEVINE KYLE B ALASKA AIR GROUP, INC. 19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD SEATTLE, WA 98188			VP LEGAL	

Signatures

/S/ JEANNE E. GAMMON, ATTORNEY IN FACT FOR KYLE B. LEVINE 02/16/2017

*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) INCLUDES 39 SHARES ACQUIRED UNDER THE ISSUER'S EMPLOYEE STOCK PURCHASE PLAN, AS WELL AS 1380 UNVESTED RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS (690 GRANTED ON 2/10/2015 AND 690 GRANTED ON 2/9/2016) UNDER THE ISSUER'S 2008 PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE PLAN.
- (2) RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS CONVERT INTO COMMON STOCK ON A ONE-FOR-ONE BASIS.
- (3) OPTIONS VEST IN 25% INCREMENTS OVER FOUR YEARS (02/14/2018, 02/14/2019, 02/14/2020 and 02/14/2021).

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