ALASKA AIR GROUP, INC.

Form 4 July 13, 2017

FORM 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * TILDEN BRADLEY D		ng Person <u>*</u>	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) 19300 INTERN	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/13/2017	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) CHAIRMAN, PRESIDENT AND CEO		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
SEATTLE, WA 98188				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Secur	ities Acquire	d, Disposed of, o	r Beneficially	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. Securities Acquain Transaction Disposed of (E Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D)			(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)
COMMON STOCK 401(K) (1)			Code V	Amount	(D)	Thee	15,473	I	ESOP TRUST
COMMON STOCK							18,405	I	GRAT
COMMON STOCK	07/13/2017		M(2)	3,600	A	\$ 0	145,546	D	
COMMON STOCK (3)	07/13/2017		S(2)	2,800 (4)	D	\$ 94.2267	142,746	D	
COMMON STOCK (3)	07/13/2017		S(2)	800 (5)	D	\$ 95.3288	141,946	D	

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COMMON STOCK (6)	07/13/2017	S <u>(7)</u>	1,500 (8)	D	\$ 94.2732	140,446	D
COMMON STOCK (3)	07/13/2017	S <u>(7)</u>	500 (9)	D	\$ 95.194	139,946	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)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number	6. Date Exercis	7. Title and Amount		
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	omf Derivative	Expiration Dat	e	Underlying Securitie	
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired				
	Derivative				(A) or				
	Security				Disposed of				
					(D)				
					(Instr. 3, 4,				
					and 5)				
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nu
				Code V	(A) (D)				Sha
EMPLOYEE									
STOCK OPTION (RT	\$ 8.315	07/13/2017		$M^{(2)}$	3,600	02/03/2011	02/03/2020	COMMON STOCK	3,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

TILDEN BRADLEY D 19300 INTERNATIONAL BLVD SEATTLE, WA 98188

CHAIRMAN, PRESIDENT AND CEO

Signatures

TO BUY)

/S/ JEANNE E. GAMMON, ATTORNEY IN FACT FOR BRADLEY D. TILDEN

07/13/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reporting Owners 2

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) COMMON SHARES HELD IN THE ALASKA AIR GROUP INC. EMPLOYEE STOCK OWNERSHIP 401(K) PLAN TRUST, AS OF 12/31/16.
- (2) SAME-DAY EXERCISE OF OPTIONS AND SALE EFFECTED PURSUANT TO A RULE 10b5-1 TRADING PLAN ADOPTED BY MR. TILDEN ON 9/6/2016.
- (3) TOTAL HELD IN COLUMN 5 INCLUDES 6,000 AND 6,300 UNVESTED RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS GRANTED ON 2/10/2015 and 2/9/2016, RESPECTIVELY, UNDER THE ISSUER'S 2008 PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE PLAN.
 - THE PRICE REPORTED IN COLUMN 4 IS A WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE. THESE SHARES SOLD IN MULTIPLE TRANSACTIONS AT PRICES RANGING FROM \$93.765 TO \$94.68 INCLUSIVE. THE REPORTING PERSON UNDERTAKES TO
- (4) PROVIDE TO ALASKA AIR GROUP, ANY SECURITY HOLDER OF ALASKA AIR GROUP, OR THE STAFF OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION, UPON REQUEST, FULL INFORMATION REGARDING THE NUMBER OF SHARES SOLD AT EACH SEPARATE PRICE WITHIN THE RANGES SET FORTH IN THIS FOOTNOTE.
 - THE PRICE REPORTED IN COLUMN 4 IS A WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE. THESE SHARES SOLD IN MULTIPLE TRANSACTIONS AT PRICES RANGING FROM \$94.88 TO \$95.68, INCLUSIVE. THE REPORTING PERSON UNDERTAKES TO
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- (6) TOTAL HELD IN COLUMN 5 INCLUDES 6,000 AND 6,300 UNVESTED RESTRICTED STOCK UNITS GRANTED ON 2/10/2015 and 2/9/2016, RESPECTIVELY, UNDER THE ISSUER'S 2008 PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE PLAN.
- (7) SALE OF ALK COMMON SHARES EFFECTED PURSUANT TO A RULE 10b5-1 TRADING PLAN ADOPTED BY MR. TILDEN ON 9/6/2016.
 - THE PRICE REPORTED IN COLUMN 4 IS A WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE. THESE SHARES SOLD IN MULTIPLE TRANSACTIONS AT PRICES RANGING FROM \$93.76 TO \$94.76, INCLUSIVE. THE REPORTING PERSON UNDERTAKES TO
- (8) PROVIDE TO ALASKA AIR GROUP, ANY SECURITY HOLDER OF ALASKA AIR GROUP, OR THE STAFF OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION, UPON REQUEST, FULL INFORMATION REGARDING THE NUMBER OF SHARES SOLD AT EACH SEPARATE PRICE WITHIN THE RANGES SET FORTH IN THIS FOOTNOTE.
 - THE PRICE REPORTED IN COLUMN 4 IS A WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE. THESE SHARES SOLD IN MULTIPLE TRANSACTIONS AT PRICES RANGING FROM \$94.88 TO \$95.70, INCLUSIVE. THE REPORTING PERSON UNDERTAKES TO
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