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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 20549**

**FORM 4**

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

**Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935  
or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940**

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subject to Section 16.  
Form 4 or Form 5  
obligations may continue.  
See Instruction 1(b)

<b>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*</b> <i>(Last, First, Middle)</i>  Knight, Jr., Jessie J.	<b>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</b>  Alaska Air Group, Inc. (ALK)	<b>3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity</b> <i>(Voluntary)</i>
c/o Alaska Air Group, Inc. 19300 Pacific Hwy South  <div style="text-align: right;"><i>(Street)</i></div> Seattle, WA 98188  <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"><i>(City)</i> <i>(State)</i> <i>(Zip)</i></div>	<b>4. Statement for</b> <i>(Month/Day/Year)</i>  12/2/02	<b>5. If Amendment, Date of Original</b> <i>(Month/Day/Year)</i>
<b>6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</b> <i>(Check All Applicable)</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner  <input type="checkbox"/> Officer <i>(give title below)</i>  <input type="checkbox"/> Other <i>(specify below)</i>  <div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; width: 100%;"></div>	<b>7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing</b> <i>(Check Applicable Line)</i> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person  <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	

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

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see instruction 4(b)(v).

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 Transactions(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	12/2/02		J(1)		121	A	20.79
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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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**Table II — Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned — Continued**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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### Explanation of Responses:

(1) Grant of shares in payment of director annual retainer under a plan exempt under 16b-3(d). The acquisition price is the average closing price on the NYSE for the 30 trading days immediately preceding appointment to the Board of Directors.

/s/ Shannon K. Alberts, Attorney in Fact  
for Jessie J. Knight, Jr.

12/3/02

**\*\*Signature of Reporting Person**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.