WILLIS LEASE FINANCE CORP Form 8-K September 13, 2018

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): September 12, 2018

Willis Lease Finance Corporation

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 001-15369 (Commission File Number) **68-0070656** (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

773 San Marin Drive, Suite 2215 Novato, California 94998

(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (415) 408-4700

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of

the following provisions.
o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
o Pre-commencement communications pursuant Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).
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If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. 0

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On September 12, 2018, in a transaction approved by an independent committee of the Board of Directors, the Company purchased 88,000 shares of its common stock directly from the Company s Chief Executive Officer, Charles F. Willis. The agreed and paid price per share was \$34.2972, the volume weighted average price on September 12, 2018.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned duly authorized officer.

Dated September 13, 2018

WILLIS LEASE FINANCE CORPORATION

By: /s/ Scott B. Flaherty
Scott B. Flaherty
Senior Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer

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