

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>SCHRAM LEE J</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>3680 VICTORIA STREET NORTH</u>  (Street) <u>SHOREVIEW MN 55126</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>DELUXE CORP [ DLX ]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Chief Executive Officer</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>02/27/2017</u>	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Comon Stock	02/27/2017		F <sup>(1)</sup>		24,012	D	\$75.79	278,639	D	

**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. 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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
Common Stock Option	\$25.59							02/16/2012 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/16/2018	Common Stock	54,200	54,200	D	
Common Stock Option	\$25.45							02/16/2013 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/16/2019	Common Stock	106,000	106,000	D	
Common Stock Option	\$38.8							02/20/2014 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/20/2020	Common Stock	95,800	95,800	D	
Common Stock Option	\$50.32							02/27/2015 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/27/2021	Common Stock	64,435	64,435	D	
Common Stock Option	\$67.08							02/12/2016 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/12/2022	Common Stock	64,162	64,162	D	
Common Stock Option	\$54.3							02/17/2017 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/17/2023	Common Stock	127,238	127,238	D	
Common Stock Option	\$75.61							02/23/2018 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/23/2024	Common Stock	77,700	77,700	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Transaction reflects withholding of shares to satisfy tax liabilities associated with vesting of restricted stock. Total ownership includes 52,228 shares of restricted stock.
- 2. Options vest in three equal installments on the three succeeding anniversary dates of the date of grant, provided the holder remains an employee of the Company. Date entered reflects date on which first installment vests(ed).

**Remarks:**

J. Michael Schroeder as Power of Attorney for Lee Schram 03/01/2017

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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).

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

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