

WILLIS LEASE FINANCE CORP  
Form 8-K  
October 03, 2012

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): October 3, 2012

**Willis Lease Finance Corp.**

(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**

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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**Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.**

On October 3, 2012, the Company issued a news release announcing the redemption of its Series A Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock. A copy of the news release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

The Company hereby furnishes the following exhibit pursuant to Item 7.01, "Regulation FD Disclosure".

| <u>Exhibit No.</u> | <u>Description</u>                   |
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| 99.1               | Press Release issued October 3, 2012 |

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SIGNATURE

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

Date: October 3, 2012

Willis Lease Finance Corp.

By: /s/ BRADLEY S. FORSYTH  
Bradley S. Forsyth  
Senior Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer