# 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: August 6, 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:

□ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Emerging growth company  $\Box$ 

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.  $\Box$ 

#### Item 2.02(a) Results of Operations and Financial Condition

#### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

The following information and exhibit are furnished pursuant to Item 2.02(a), "Results of Operations and Financial Condition" and Item 7.01, "Regulation FD Disclosure". This information shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

On August 6, 2018, the Company issued a news release setting forth the Company's results from operations for the three and six months ended June 30, 2018 and financial condition as of June 30, 2018. A copy of the news release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements & Exhibits

The Company hereby furnishes the following exhibit pursuant to Item 2.02(a), "Results of Operations and Financial Condition" and Item 7.01, "Regulation FD Disclosure".

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 News Release issued by Willis Lease Finance Corporation dated August 6, 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 August 6, 2018

### WILLIS LEASE FINANCE CORPORATION

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