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ANNUAL 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(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Check this box if no longer subject of Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

Form 3 Holdings Reported

Form 4 Transactions Reported

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*

WENTZ	Sidney	F.
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(Last)	(First)	(Middle)
One White Deer Lane		

(Street)		
Morristown	NJ	07960
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ACE Limited (NYSE:ACL)

3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)

4. Statement for Month/Year

September 1998

5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)

11/13/1998

6. Relationship of Reporting Person to Issuer
(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing
(Check applicable line)

Form filed by one Reporting Person

Form filed by more than one Reporting Person

Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (mm/dd/yy)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 & 4)	6. Owner- ship Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr.4)	7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Ordinary Shares	2/6/98	A(1)	12	A	(1)			
Ordinary Shares	2/6/98	A(1)	356	A	(1)			
Ordinary Shares	5/7/98	A(1)	33	A	(1)			
Ordinary Shares	8/5/98	A(1)	35	A	(1)	6,218(2)	D	
Ordinary Shares						6,000(2)	I	By spouse

* If the form is filed by more than one Reporting Person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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

(Print or Type responses)

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. Conver- sion or Exer- cise Price of Deriv- ative Secur- ity	3. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	4. Trans- action Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) ----- (A) (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) ----- Exer- cisable Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) ----- Amount or Number of Shares	8. Price of Deriv- ative Secur- ity (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Deriv- ative Secur- ities Bene- ficially Owned at End Year (Instr. 4)	10. Owner- ship of Deriv- ative Secur- ity: Direct (D) or In- direct (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of In- direct Owner- ship (Instr. 4)
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Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Represents Ordinary Shares granted as a director retainer award or committee chairman award pursuant to the ACE Limited 1995 Outside Directors Plan, which plan meets the requirements of Rule 16b-3. Such Ordinary Shares will vest on February 4, 1999 assuming the reporting person is a director of ACE Limited on such date.
- (2) On February 17, 1998, the Ordinary Shares of ACE Limited split 3-for-1. As the February 6, 1998 transaction occurred prior to that date, it is reported on a pre-split basis. The totals in column 5 have been adjusted, however, to give effect to the stock split.

Signed for Sidney F. Wentz pursuant to a power of attorney on file with the Securities and Exchange Commission

/s/ Keith P. White *January 8, 1999*

 **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 provided is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

Alternatively, this Form is permitted to be submitted to the Commission in electronic format at the option of the reporting person pursuant to Rule 101(b)(4) of Regulation S-T.