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): January 3, 1997

CONTINENTAL AIRLINES, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	0-09781	74-2099724
(State or other	(Commission	(IRS Employer
jurisdiction of incorporation)	File Number)	Identification No.)

2929 Allen Parkway, Suite 2010, Houston, Texas77019(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

(713) 834-2950 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Item 5. Other Events.

On January 3, 1997, the U.S. Supreme Court denied the petition for a writ of certiorari that had been filed by the trustees of a collateral pool in connection with litigation stemming from the Company's 1993 bankruptcy reorganization. The Court's action terminates in favor of Continental this previously disclosed litigation, which is styled Bank of New York, as Collateral Trustee, New Jersey National Bank, Harris Trust and Savings Bank, and Boatmen's First National Bank of Oklahoma, as First, Second and Third Series Trustees, respectively, v. Continental Airlines, Inc.

SIGNATURE

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

CONTINENTAL AIRLINES, INC.

By /s/ Lawrence W. Kellner Lawrence W. Kellner Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

January 6, 1997