#### PONTARELLI THOMAS

Form 4

February 27, 2013

# FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * PONTARELLI THOMAS			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CNA FINANCIAL CORP [CNA]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				-	(Check all applicable)			
333 S. WAE	(Month/Day/Year) 02/25/2013					Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)  EVP & Chief Admin Officer					
	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person					
CHICAGO,						Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficial								ly Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Yea	r) Executio any	med n Date, if Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	ties Acquired sposed of (D) 4 and 5)  (A) or		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	ties Form: Direct Ind cially (D) or Ber I Indirect (I) Ow ring (Instr. 4) (Insted ed ction(s)			
Common Stock	02/25/2013			Code V M	Amount 3,750	(D)	Price \$ 24.69	4,150	D		
Common Stock	02/25/2013			S	3,259	D	\$ 32.01	891	D		

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

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# 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)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number coof 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8 I S (
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option	\$ 24.69	02/25/2013	M	3,750	<u>(1)</u>	05/07/2013	Common Stock	3,750	

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## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

PONTARELLI THOMAS 333 S. WABASH AVE. CHICAGO, IL 60604

EVP & Chief Admin Officer

### **Signatures**

Thomas 02/26/2013 Pontarelli

\*\*Signature of Date
Reporting Person

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* 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).
- (1) The option became exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on May 7, 2004.
- (2) The Reporting Person received the Stock Appreciation Rights at no cost.

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