

LINCOLN NATIONAL CORP
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 CUNNINGHAM WILLIAM H DR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 LINCOLN NATIONAL CORP
 [LNC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 04/03/2006

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

CENTRE SQUARE-WEST
 TOWER, 1500 MARKET ST.,
 SUITE 3900

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

PHILADELPHIA, PA 19102

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock | 04/03/2006 | | A | 12,012.94 | A (1) 12,012.94 | 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)

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| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|-----|---|-------------------------------|--------------|----|
| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 23.59 | 04/03/2006 | | A | | 8,280 | | 04/03/2006 | 02/09/2007 | Common Stock | 8, |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 33.01 | 04/03/2006 | | A | | 8,280 | | 04/03/2006 | 02/08/2008 | Common Stock | 8, |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 42.33 | 04/03/2006 | | A | | 8,179 | | 04/03/2006 | 02/07/2009 | Common Stock | 8, |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 32.97 | 04/03/2006 | | A | | 8,179 | | 04/03/2006 | 02/13/2010 | Common Stock | 8, |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 42.68 | 04/03/2006 | | A | | 8,179 | | 04/03/2006 | 02/11/2011 | Common Stock | 8, |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 43.82 | 04/03/2006 | | A | | 8,179 | | 04/03/2006 | 02/10/2012 | Common Stock | 8, |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 34.58 | 04/03/2006 | | A | | 8,179 | | 04/03/2006 | 02/09/2013 | Common Stock | 8, |
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 48.58 | 04/03/2006 | | A | | 8,179 | | 04/03/2006 | 02/08/2014 | Common Stock | 8, |
| Employee StockOption | \$ 45.73 | 04/03/2006 | | A | | 8,179 | | 04/03/2006 | 02/13/2015 | Common Stock | 8, |

(Right to Buy)

Employee

Stock Option

(Right to Buy)

\$ 53.6

04/03/2006

A

8,179

02/13/2007⁽¹¹⁾

02/12/2016

Common Stock

8,

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| CUNNINGHAM WILLIAM H DR CENTRE SQUARE-WEST TOWER 1500 MARKET ST., SUITE 3900 PHILADELPHIA, PA 19102 | X | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Charles A. Brawley, III,
Attorney-in-Fact

04/05/2006

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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) Estimate of LNC common Stock received in the merger of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation into a subsidiary of Lincoln National Corporation (the "Merger") in exchange for Jefferson-Pilot common stock pursuant to a cash/stock election based on a preliminary proration factor.
- (2) Received in the Merger in exchange for an employee stock option to acquire 7,593 shares of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation common stock for \$25.72 per share.
- (3) Received in the Merger in exchange for an employee stock option to acquire 7,593 shares of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation common stock for \$36.00 per share.
- (4) Received in the Merger in exchange for an employee stock option to acquire 7,500 shares of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation common stock for \$46.17 per share.
- (5) Received in the Merger in exchange for an employee stock option to acquire 7,500 shares of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation common stock for \$35.96 per share.
- (6) Received in the Merger in exchange for an employee stock option to acquire 7,500 shares of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation common stock for \$46.55 per share.
- (7) Received in the Merger in exchange for an employee stock option to acquire 7,500 shares of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation common stock for \$47.79 per share.
- (8) Received in the Merger in exchange for an employee stock option to acquire 7,500 shares of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation common stock for \$37.71 per share.
- (9) Received in the Merger in exchange for an employee stock option to acquire 7,500 shares of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation common stock for \$52.98 per share.
- (10) Received in the Merger in exchange for an employee stock option to acquire 7,500 shares of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation common stock for \$49.87 per share.
- (11) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning February 13, 2007.
- (12)

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Received in the Merger in exchange for an employee stock option to acquire 7,500 shares of Jefferson-Pilot Corporation common stock for \$58.46 per share.

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