STONECIPHER DAVID A

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * STONECIPHER DAVID A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

LINCOLN NATIONAL CORP

Issuer

_X__ Director

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

12/26/2006

[LNC]

Officer (give title _ Other (specify

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)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

PHILADELPHIA, PA 19102

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - N	on-I	Derivative S	ecurit	ies Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securitie onor Dispose (Instr. 3, 4	d of (E and 5)))	Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	Ownership Form: Direct (D)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	12/26/2006		M		100,000	A	\$ 31.25	201,926.78	D	
Common Stock	12/26/2006		F		69,866	D	\$ 65.6	132,060.78	D	
Common Stock	12/26/2006		G	V	30,134	D	\$0	101,926.78	D	
Common Stock	12/26/2006		G	V	30,134	A	\$ 0	130,636	I	By Trust
								13,247	I	

Common By Stock Spouse

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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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	orDeriv Secur Acqu Dispo	umber of vative arities uired (A) or losed of (D) r. 3, 4, and	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun Numbe Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to	\$ 31.25	12/26/2006		M		100,000	04/03/2006	01/05/2008	Common Stock	100,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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PHILADELPHIA, PA 19102

Signatures

Buy)

/s/ Karen F. Kanjian, Attorney-in-Fact

**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).

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