STONECIPHER DAVID A

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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).

(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

(Check all applicable)

[LNC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(First) (Middle)

(Month/Day/Year) 05/03/2007

_X__ Director Officer (give title

Issuer

10% Owner _ Other (specify

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

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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. Transa Code (Instr.		4. Securit n(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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	05/03/2007		M	·	37,000	A	\$ 33.01	80,162	D		
Common Stock	05/03/2007		G	V	37,000	D	\$ 0	43,162	D		
Common Stock	05/03/2007		G	V	37,000	A	\$ 0	185,099	I	By Trust	
Common Stock	05/03/2007		S		37,000	D	<u>(1)</u>	181,399	I	By Trust	
								8,247	I	By Spouse	

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Common Stock

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of ctionDerivative Securities B) 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)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 33.01	05/03/2007		M		37,000	04/03/2006	02/08/2008	Common Stock	37,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

STONECIPHER DAVID A CENTRE SQUARE-WEST TOWER 1500 MARKET ST., SUITE 3900 PHILADELPHIA, PA 19102



Signatures

/s/ Karen F. Kanjian, Attorney-in-Fact 05/04/2007

**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) 2,000 shares sold at \$71.93; 4,000 shares sold at \$71.95; 2,000 shares sold at \$71.96; 5,000 shares sold at \$71.99; 2,000 shares sold at \$72.01; 2,900 shares sold at \$72.02; 9,100 shares sold at \$72.07; 10,000 shares sold at \$72.10.

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