LINCOLN NATIONAL CORP

Form 4

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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 *

BARRETT J PATRICK

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

LINCOLN NATIONAL CORP

[LNC]

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 09/28/2007

_X__ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

CENTRE SQUARE-WEST TOWER, 1500 MARKET ST.,

SUITE 3900

(City)

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

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1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities Acquired (A)			5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction Disposed of (D)			Securities	Ownership	Indirect	
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially	Form:	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	Direct (D)	Ownership
							Following	or Indirect	(Instr. 4)
							Reported	(I)	
					(A)		Transaction(s)	(Instr. 4)	
					or	~ .	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	,		
Common Stock	09/28/2007		A	1,230.68 (1)	A	\$ 65.97	33,812.18 (2)	D	
Common Stock	10/01/2007		M	15,437	A	<u>(3)</u>	49,249.18	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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	orDeriv Secu Acqu or Di (D)	rities uired (A) isposed of r. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Phantom Stock (Voluntary Deferral of Retainer Fee)	(3)	10/01/2007		M		15,437	10/01/2007	10/01/2007	Common Stock	15,43°

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BARRETT J PATRICK CENTRE SQUARE-WEST TOWER 1500 MARKET ST., SUITE 3900 PHILADELPHIA, PA 19102	X						

Signatures

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

Explanation of Responses:

**Signature of Reporting Person

- * 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).

Date

- Quarterly payment of board retainer and fees in shares of phantom stock accrued under the Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors (the "Plan"), which are payable solely in shares of the Company's common stock at resignation or retirement.
- (2) Includes 73.16 shares acquired through dividend reinvestment since the reporting person's last report.
- (3) Each Phantom Stock unit was the economic equivalent of one share of issuer's common stock. On October 1, 2007, all shares of the reporting person's phantom stock units were settled for an equal number of shares of issuer's common stock.

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