LINCOLN NATIONAL CORP

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **CUNNINGHAM WILLIAM H DR** 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

below)

Symbol

(Middle)

LINCOLN NATIONAL CORP

(Check all applicable)

[LNC]

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

X_ Director Officer (give title

10% Owner Other (specify

CENTRE SQUARE-WEST TOWER, 1500 MARKET ST.,

SUITE 3900

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

(Month/Day/Year)

04/03/2006

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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

PHILADELPHIA, PA 19102

(City) (State) (Zip)

04/03/2006

(Street)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of Transactionr Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect

Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of

(A)

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 4)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Price Amount (D)

Common Stock

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number poof 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 Amor Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Num of Sha
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

 $02/13/2007_{\underline{(11)}} \quad 02/12/2016$

Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

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.
- 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.

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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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