Brecher Mark E Form 4 July 17, 2012

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

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(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Brecher Mark E

(First)

531 SOUTH SPRING STREET

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA HOLDINGS [LH]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 07/13/2012

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

(Middle)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Chief Medical Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Person

BURLINGTON, NC 27215

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	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. Securit on(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	07/13/2012		M <u>(1)</u>	19,200	A	\$ 60.04	28,715.882 (2)	D	
Common Stock	07/13/2012		S <u>(1)</u>	19,200	D	\$ 95	9,515.882 (2)	D	
Common Stock	07/13/2012		S <u>(1)</u>	1,141	D	\$ 95	8,374.882 <u>(2)</u>	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and An Underlying Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	A C N
Non-qualified Stock Options	\$ 60.04	07/13/2012		M(1)	19,200	03/02/2010(4)	03/02/2019	Common Stock	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Brecher Mark E			Chief				
531 SOUTH SPRING STREET			Medical				
BURLINGTON, NC 27215			Officer				

Signatures

/s/ F. Samuel Eberts III, Attorney-in-Fact for Mark E.

Brecher

07/17/2012

**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) Pursuant to a plan in accordance with Rule 10b5-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- (2) Amount includes 229.882 shares acquired on June 30, 2012 under the Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings 1997 Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (3) Employee stock option (right to buy) granted pursuant to the Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings 2008 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (4) The option vested in three equal annual installments beginning on March 2, 2010 and is fully vested.

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