**AVERY WILLIAM J** Form 4

April 05, 2010

## 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).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

**AVERY WILLIAM J** 

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

LINCOLN NATIONAL CORP

[LNC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

X\_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

150 N. RADNOR-CHESTER ROAD 03/31/2010

(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

below)

RADNOR, PA 19087

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) any (Month/Day/Year)

3. Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially Beneficial (D) or Owned Ownership Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

> (A) or

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

(D) Price

Amount Code V 350.16

Common Stock

03/31/2010

04/02/2010

A (1)

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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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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• 5	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
AVERY WILLIAM J 150 N. RADNOR-CHESTER ROAD RADNOR, PA 19087	X						

# **Signatures**

/s/ Charles A. Brawley, III, Attorney-in-Fact 04/05/2010

\*\*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).
- 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 4.93 shares acquired through dividend reinvestment since the reporting person's last report.

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