

LINCOLN NATIONAL CORP
 Form 4
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
PITTARD PATRICK S

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)
150 N. RADNOR-CHESTER ROAD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
09/12/2016

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

RADNOR, PA 19087

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am Nur Sha	
			Code	V (A) (D)					
Phantom Stock Units	(1)	09/12/2016	I		22,664.943	(2)	09/12/2016(2)	Common Stock	22

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

PITTARD PATRICK S
150 N. RADNOR-CHESTER ROAD
RADNOR, PA 19087

Signatures

/s/ Nancy A. Smith,
Attorney-in-Fact

09/14/2016

__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).
- Each Phantom Stock Unit is the equivalent of one share of LNC Common Stock. Represents stock units held in the LNC DC SERP that
- (1) may be settled in Common Stock only. The reporting person may transfer his/her Phantom Stock account into an alternative investment account at any time.
 - (2) Represents Phantom Stock Units acquired in the LNC DC SERP in accordance with the officer's election. These shares were transferred into alternative investment accounts in the LNC DC SERP at the discretion of the officer.

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