LINCOLN NATIONAL CORP

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading DINEEN ROBERT W Issuer Symbol LINCOLN NATIONAL CORP [LNC] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Last) (First) (Middle)

(Month/Day/Year)

02/22/2007

(Check all applicable)

President-LFA

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

CENTRE SQUARE-WEST TOWER, 1500 MARKET ST., **SUITE 3900**

(Street)

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

below)

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

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

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1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Securities (Instr. 3) Code (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V (D) Price Amount

Common 54,287 02/22/2007 \$0 Α 103,548.32 D (1) Stock

Common 02/22/2007 F 20.926 D 82,622.32 (2) \$0 Stock

Common 288.94 (3) I By 401(k) Stock

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securition (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 70.66	02/22/2007		A	48,511	02/22/2008(4)	02/22/2017	Common Stock	48,5

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DINEEN ROBERT W

CENTRE SQUARE-WEST TOWER 1500 MARKET ST., SUITE 3900 PHILADELPHIA, PA 19102

President-LFA

Signatures

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

02/23/2007

**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) Represents settlement of long-term incentive awards for the 2004-2006 performance cycle and grant of restricted stock.
- (2) Includes 22.90 shares acquired through dividend reinvestment since the reporting person's last report.
- (3) Represents routine transactions in the Company's 401(k) Plan from 3/1/06 to 2/1/07.
- (4) The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on February 22, 2008.

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