PROASSURANCE CORP

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * STARNES WILLIAM STANCIL

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

PROASSURANCE CORP [PRA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(First)

C/O PROASSURANCE

BROOKWOOD PLACE

CORPORATION, 100

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 02/29/2008

Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

X_ Officer (give title

Other (specify

below) Chief Executive Officer

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Zip)

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

BIRMINGHAM, AL 35209-6811

(State)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 1. Title of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or Price

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

Code V Amount (D)

Common 02/28/2008 Stock

4.625 A (1) 54.28

16,614 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)

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securition
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou Numb Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 54.28	02/28/2008		A	20,000	09/01/2008(2)	09/01/2018	Common Stock	20,0
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 56.16					01/03/2008	07/01/2017	Common Stock	100,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

STARNES WILLIAM STANCIL C/O PROASSURANCE CORPORATION 100 BROOKWOOD PLACE BIRMINGHAM, AL 35209-6811

Chief Executive Officer

Signatures

Frank B. O'Neil, POA W. Stancil Starnes

02/29/2008

**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).
- These shares are exempt under Rule 16b-3. Bonus shares awarded to the reporting person under the terms of the ProAssurance 2004

 (1) Fauity Incentive Plan by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors. The Compensation Committee is comprised solely of
- (1) Equity Incentive Plan by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors. The Compensation Committee is comprised solely of independent, non-employee directors.
- (2) The options vest in five equal, yearly installments commencing on September 1, 2008

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