

LINCOLN NATIONAL CORP  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 Freitag Randal 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)  
 150 N. RADNOR-CHESTER ROAD  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/05/2016

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 EVP & CFO

RADNOR, PA 19087

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  | (A) or (D)   | Price                             |
| Common Stock                    | 02/05/2016                           |  | M                              |   | 221   | A  | <u>(1)</u>                        |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 676.18  | <u>(3)</u>   | I                                 |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | By 401(k)                         |

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|
| Phantom Stock Unit                         | (4)  | 02/05/2016                           |  | M                              | 221   | (4) 02/05/2016   | Common Stock  | 221   |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                     | Relationships |           |           |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer   | Other |
| Freitag Randal J<br>150 N. RADNOR-CHESTER ROAD<br>RADNOR, PA 19087 |               |           | EVP & CFO |       |

## Signatures

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

02/08/2016

\*\*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).
- (1) On February 5, 2016, the reporting person received 221 shares of LNC common stock in settlement of an equal number of shares of phantom stock held pursuant to LNC deferred compensation plan.
  - (2) Includes 193.80 shares acquired through dividend reinvestment since the reporting person's last report.
  - (3) Represents routine transactions in the Company's 401(k) Plan from 12/1/2015 to 2/1/2016.
  - (4) Each Phantom Stock Unit is the equivalent of one share of LNC Common Stock.

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