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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * STEPHENS GERALD D			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	RLI CORP [RLI] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE		RIVE	(Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2008	X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)			
PEORIA, IL 61615				_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

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(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acq							equired, 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. Transa Code (Instr.	8)	4. Securiti on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	posed	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
	Common Stock	12/31/2008		J <u>(2)</u>	V	42,338	D	\$ 61.08	110,585.4117	I	G.D. Stephens Grantor Retained Annuity Trust
	Common Stock	12/31/2008		J(2)	V	42,338	A	\$ 61.08	1,110,964.1027	D (1)	
	Common Stock								11,508.2939	I	By Executive Deferred Comp (1)
	Common Stock								49,220.8814	I	By Key Emp. Benefit Plan (1)

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Common Stock	30,795.4486	I	By Trust For Grandchildren
Common Stock	2,492	I	By Trust For Sister
Common Stock	68,935	I	By Wife

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3,	5	ate	Secur	ant of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
STEPHENS GERALD D 9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE PEORIA, IL 61615	X						
Signatures							

/s/ Gerald D. 01/06/2009 Stephens

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

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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) Ownership reflects dividend reinvestment.
- (2) Shares were transferred from the Gerald D. Stephens Grantor Retained Annuity Trust dated 12/31/07.

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