

LINCOLN NATIONAL CORP
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Â COYNE PATRICK P

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

PHILADELPHIA,Â PAÂ 19102

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

07/18/2006

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 LINCOLN NATIONAL CORP [LNC]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer Other
 (give title below) (specify below)
 President-Del. Inv.

5. 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

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	4,768.15 ⁽¹⁾	D	Â
Common Stock	988.43	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 Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security	4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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		(Instr. 4)			
Date	Expiration	Title	Amount or	Price of	Derivative
Exercisable	Date		Number of	Derivative	Security:
			Shares	Security	Direct (D)
					or Indirect
					(I)
					(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
COYNE PATRICK P CENTRE SQUARE-WEST TOWER 1500 MARKET ST., SUITE 3900 PHILADELPHIA, PA 19102				President-Del. Inv.

Signatures

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

07/27/2006

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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 shares held in the LNC Executive Deferred Compensation Plan for Employees that may be settled in Common Stock only.
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