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FORM	UNITED	STATES		RITIES A			E COMMISSION	NOMB Number:	3235-0287	
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(Print or Type	Responses)									
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u></u> JOHNSON ERIC G			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			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2012			X Director Officer (giv below)		% Owner her (specify		
(Street) RADNOR, PA 19087			4. If Amendment, Date Original 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				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Securities A	Person	of or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deeme Execution any (Month/Da	ed Date, if	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	ies (A) or of (D)	5. Amount of	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect	
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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of	8. Pric
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	onof Derivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities	Deriva
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Securi

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	vative		. 8)	(A) or Disposed (D)	Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,					(Instr.
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	12/31/2012	А		752.9		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	752.9	\$ 25

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
JOHNSON ERIC G 150 N. RADNOR-CHESTER ROAD RADNOR, PA 19087	Х						
Signatures							
/s/ Charles A. Brawley, III, Attorney-in-Fact		01/03/201	3				
**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) Each share of phantom stock represents the right to receive one share of LNC common stock.
- Quarterly payment of board retainer and fees in shares of phantom stock accrued under the Deferred Compensation Plan for(2) Non-Employee Directors (the "Plan"), which are payable solely in shares of the Company's common stock at resignation or retirement. The reporting person may transfer his/her phantom stock account into an alternative investment account at any time.
- (3) Includes 69.04 shares acquired through dividend reinvestment since the reporting person's last report.

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