

NARD CHRISTOPHER S
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FORM 4

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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 *
 NARD CHRISTOPHER S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 OLD REPUBLIC INTERNATIONAL CORP [ORI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 307 NORTH MICHIGAN AVENUE, STE 2300
 (Street)
 CHICAGO, IL 60601
 (City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 04/16/2009

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Sr.VP. Mortgage Guaranty Ins.

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	\$ 10.48	04/16/2009 ⁽¹⁾	04/16/2009 ⁽¹⁾	A	60,000 ⁽²⁾		12/31/2009	03/25/2009	Common Stock	60,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
NARD CHRISTOPHER S 307 NORTH MICHIGAN AVENUE STE 2300 CHICAGO, IL 60601			Sr.VP. Mortgage Guaranty Ins.	

Signatures

William J. Dasso, Power of Attorney for Christopher S. Nard
 04/16/2009
 **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) Date of notification to the optionee.

These shares vest and become exercisable, effective December 31, 2009, at the rate of 10% the first year, 15% the second year, 20% the third year, 25% the fourth year and 30% the fifth year. However, if an optionee dies, becomes disabled, retires after attaining age 57 or a change in control of the company occurs, the options vest immediately to the extent of the higher of 10% of the award for each year the optionee has been an employee or the actual vested percentage of the award plus 50% of the remaining unvested amount.

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