LINCOLN NATIONAL CORP

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Cooper Ellen

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

LINCOLN NATIONAL CORP

[LNC]

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 150 N. RADNOR-CHESTER ROAD 02/24/2014

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title

below) below) **EVP & CIO**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

RADNOR, PA 19087

(Instr. 3)

(City) (State) (Zip) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security

3. 4. Securities (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

(1)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

or Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

Common 02/24/2014 Stock

4,495 A

\$0 $40,283.29 \stackrel{(2)}{=}$

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)

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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 or 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 Underlying Securition (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 50.77	02/24/2014		A	17,191	02/24/2015(3)	02/24/2024	Common Stock	17,1

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Cooper Ellen

150 N. RADNOR-CHESTER ROAD RADNOR, PA 19087 EVP & CIO

Signatures

/s/ Nancy A. Smith, Attorney-in-Fact

02/26/2014

**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) Grant of restricted stock units representing a contingent right to receive shares of LNC common Stock. The restricted stock units vest on February 24, 2017.
- (2) Includes 174.82 shares acquired through dividend reinvestment since the reporting person's last report.
- (3) The option vests ratably over 3 years beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.

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