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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

See Instruction

Kennedy Daniel O Issuer Symbol RLI CORP [RLI] (Check all applicable) (Middle) (Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE 05/01/2009 below) Vice President General Counsel (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting **PEORIA, IL 61615** Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Ownership Direct (D) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (Instr. 4) Following or Indirect Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount Price By Executive Common Deferred J(4)05/01/2009 5.1529 184.9672 I Stock Compensation (1) Common $D^{(1)}$ 1,487.435 Stock Common By Esop (2)1,434.3838 Stock

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Dr.Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and L Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 52.3					02/21/2007(3)	02/21/2016	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option	\$ 50.15					05/04/2007(3)	05/04/2016	Common Stock	8,000
Stock Option	\$ 56.09					05/03/2008(3)	05/03/2017	Common Stock	9,000
Stock Option	\$ 50					05/01/2009(3)	05/01/2018	Common Stock	11,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Kennedy Daniel O

9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE Vice President General Counsel

PEORIA, IL 61615

Signatures

Reporting Person

/s/ Daniel O.
Kennedy

**Signature of 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) Ownership reflects dividend reinvestment.

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- (2) Ownership reflects shares allocated to ESOP participant's account and dividend reinvestment.
- (3) Pursuant to option schedule wherein 20% of the aggregate number of shares granted may be exercised commencing one year from grant date and each year thereafter in 20% increments.
- (4) The securities herein were allocated to my account pursuant to the RLI Corp. Executive Deferred Compensation Agreement.

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