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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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FORM 4

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)								
MITTELSTAEDT ROBERT E JR		<u>l'EJR</u>	HOLDINGS [ LH ]	X	Director	10% Owner						
(Last) (First) 430 SOUTH SPRING STREET		(Middle)			Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)						
			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/01/2008		below)	below)						
<u>,</u>			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6 India	ridual or Joint/Group Filing (	Chaok Applicable						
(Street)			4. If Amenument, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Tear)	Line)	nuuai or Joint/Group Filling (							
BURLINGTON	NC	27215		X	Form filed by One Report	ting Person						
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)										
	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)						Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(11311.4)
Common Stock	02/01/2008		Α		22 <sup>(1)</sup>	Α	\$73.08	<b>8,443</b> <sup>(2)</sup>	D	

 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. Transa Code ( 8)		of Ex		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. Stock award represents half the monthly Director retainer pursuant to the Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings 1995 Stock Plan for Non-Employee Directors.

2. Amount shown reflects a 2-for-1 stock split effective on May 10, 2002.

## <u>By: /s/ BRADFORD T.</u>

<u>SMITH, Attorney-in-Fact for</u> 02/05/2008 <u>Robert E. Mittelstaedt</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* 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).

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