FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* POWELL JAMES B						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA HOLDINGS [LH]								(Cr	eck all ap X Dire	plicable) ctor	ng Person(s) to Is		wner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 430 S SPRING STREET					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/01/2003									belo	cer (give title w)	Other (sp below)			
(Street) BURLINGTON NC 27215 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Lin	e) X Forr Forr	dual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
Date				e nth/Day/Year) if		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Code (Instr. 5		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)				Secur Benef Owne	icially d Following	6. Owners Form: Dire (D) or Indi (I) (Instr. 4	ect rect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount	(A (D) or)	Price	Repor Trans (Instr.	action(s) 3 and 4)			(IIISU. 4)
Common Stock 08/01/2					1/2003	2003			A		53(1)		A	\$31.	2 12	,642(2)(3)	(3) D		
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) 2. Conversion of Exercise Price of Derivative Security			3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	4. Transa Code (8)				6. Date E Expiratio (Month/D	е	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		tr. 3	3. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(D) rect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
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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.
- 3. Amount includes 700 shares of indirect common stock ownership held by Allemanni LLC. Dr. Powell is the sole manager of Allemanni LLC.

/s/ Bradford T. Smith,

Attorney-in-Fact for James B. 08/04/2003

** 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).
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