FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>MITTELSTAEDT ROBERT E JR</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA HOLDINGS [LH]									eck all ap	all applicable) Director		ng Person(s) to Issu 10% Ow	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 430 SOUTH SPRING STREET					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/01/2006											Officer (give title below)		Other (specify below)	
(Street) BURLIN (City)	4. If <i>I</i>	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable) X 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																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)				Execution Date			n Date,	3. Transa Code 8)						Secur Benef	icially d Following	6. Owner Form: D (D) or Ir (I) (Insti	Direct ndirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount	(A (D) or)	Price	Trans	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock 08/01/						2006		A		26(1)	A		\$63.	. 10	10,518(2))		
		Та	ble II - C								sed of, onvertib				Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day/	Date, Transa			5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date E Expiratio (Month/D	n Date	9	Amount of		S (. Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Owi For Dire or li (I) (I	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	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.
- $2.\ Amount\ shown\ reflects\ a\ 2-for\mbox{-}1\ stock\ split\ effective\ on\ May\ 10,\ 2002.$

By: /s/ BRADFORD T.
SMITH, Attorney-in-Fact for 08/03/2006
Robert E. Mittelstaedt

** 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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