FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP hours per response: 0.5 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* MITTELSTAEDT ROBERT E JR					LA	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA									 Relationship of Reporting Pe (Check all applicable) X Director 				. ,	
(Last) 430 SOU						HOLDINGS [LH] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/01/2006									Offi		ficer (give title low)		10% Owner Other (specify below)	
(Street) BURLIN (City)	GTON NO		2 7215 Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									. Indivi ine) X	,				
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Date				Date	(Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year		Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		ities Acquired (A) d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			4 and Secu Bend Own		mount of urities eficially ned Following orted		Ownership m: Direct or Indirect Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
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Common	ommon Stock			09/01	9/01/2006				A		24(1)	(1) A		\$68	B.1 10,542 ⁽²⁾		,542 ⁽²⁾		D	
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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. Deemd Execution if any (Month/Da	Date, Trans Code			of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr	of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			tle and ount of urities erlying vative urity (In 4)	str. 3	8. Prio Deriv Secui (Instr.	vative ırity r. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	,	10. 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-1 stock split effective on May 10, 2002.

By: /s/ BRADFORD T. SMITH, Attorney-in-Fact for 09/05/2006 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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