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## 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*  MITTELSTAEDT ROBERT E JR				LA	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol  LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA  HOLDINGS [ LH ]									neck all a	pplicable) ector	g Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner		)wner	
(Last)	(Fir	rst) (I	Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/01/2003										icer (give title low)	Other (spe- below)		
(Street)				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
(City)	(St	ate) (2	Zip)												Fo	rm filed by Mo rson	•		
		Tabl	e I - Non	-Deriv	ative	Sec	uritie	s Acc	quired,	Dis	osed o	f, or I	Bene	eficia	lly Ow	ned			
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Common Stock 07/01/2					/2003	2003			A		55(1)	A 29.		29.8	7	9,971(2)			
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
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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.

/s/ Bradford T. Smith,

Attorney-in-Fact for Robert E. 07/02/2003

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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