FORM 3

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Troub Allen W	2. Date of Event Requiring Stater (Month/Day/Year 01/01/2007	ment	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA HOLDINGS [ LH ]							
(Last) (First) (Middle) 430 SOUTH SPRING STREET			Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     Director 10% Owner		(Mor	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)				
		X Officer (give title below)	Other (spe		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street) BURLINGTON NC 27215			EVP, Western Ope	, I.		X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City) (State) (Zip)										
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned										
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)  3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		t (D) (Instr	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)				
Common Stock		7,268	D							
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)										
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)				
Non-qualified Stock Options <sup>(1)</sup>	02/17/2005 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/17/2014	Common Stock	5,833	39	D				
Non-qualified Stock Options <sup>(1)</sup>	03/01/2006 <sup>(2)</sup>	03/01/2015	Common Stock	6,667	47.89	D				
Non-qualified Stock Options <sup>(1)</sup>	02/23/2007 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/23/2016	Common Stock	10,000	58.57	D				

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Employee stock option (right to buy) granted pursuant to the Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings 2000 Stock Incentive Plan.
- 2. The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on the date reflected in this column.

By: /s/ BRADFORD T.

SMITH, Attorney-in-Fact for
Allen W. Troub

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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## POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOWN ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints Bradford T. Smith his true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitute for him and in his name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, in connection with the filing for the undersigned on Form  ${\bf 3}$ and Form 4 under the Securities Act of 1934, as amended, including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, to sign the Form 3 and Form 4 in the name and on behalf of the undersigned or on behalf of the undersigned as a director or officer of the Corporation, and any amendments to the Form 3 or Form 4, and any instrument, contract, document or other writing, of or in connection with the Form 3 and Form 4 or amendments thereto, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith,including this power of attorney, with the Securities and Exchange Commission and any applicable securities exchange or securities self-regulatory body, granting unto said attorney-in-fact and agents, each acting alone, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact and agents, each acting alone, or his substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has signed these presents this 13th day of December 2006.

/s/ Allen W. Troub
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