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*						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)							
						HOLDINGS [LH]									X Director			10% Owner			
(Last) (First) (Middle)								est Trans	saction (Month	n/Day/Year)	\dashv	Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)				pecify				
531 SOUTH SPRING STREET						05/08/2012															
(Street)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)							
BURLINGTON NC 27215													X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting								
(City)	(5	(State) (Zip)														Person					
		Tab	le I - N	on-Deri	vativ	e Sec	curiti	es Ac	quired	l, Di	sposed c	f, or Be	nefici	ially	Owned						
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D					Exe	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) o Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a			und 5) Securities Beneficiall Owned Fol		es ally	Form:	Direct of Indirect I	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
						v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				Instr. 4)						
Common	05/08				S		83	D	\$86.	.43 14		,070		D							
Common Stock					05/08/2012				S		100	D	\$86.4	1375	375 13,970		D				
Common Stock 0					05/08/2012						617	A	\$64.	.42	12 14,58		D				
Common Stock (05/08	05/08/2012				S		517	D	\$86.	.47	47 14,07			D			
Common Stock 05/0				05/08	/2012				S		100	D	\$86.4	5.476 13,9		,970	70 D				
Common Stock															400			I 1	By Trust For Children		
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deer Execution if any (Month/E	ned	4. Transa	4. Transaction Code (Instr.		5. Number 6			sable and e	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Do Se (In	Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e S Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisa	ble	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shares	er							
Non- qualified Stock	\$64.42	05/08/2012			М			617	05/06/20:	10 ⁽²⁾	05/06/2019	Common Stock	617	,	\$0	2,466	5	D			

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Director stock option (right to buy) granted pursuant to the Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings 2008 Stock Incentive Plan.
- 2. The option vested in three equal annual installments beginning on 05/6/2009 and is now fully exercisable.

/s/ F. Samuel Eberts III,

Attorney-in-Fact for Wendy E. 05/10/2012

** 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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