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*  WEIKEL M KEITH					LA	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA HOLDINGS [ LH ]										eck all applic	able) r	g Pers	10% Ow	wner
(Last) 333 NOF	(First) (Middle) ORTH SUMMIT STREET 16TH FLOOR						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/12/2004										(give title		Other (s below)	pecify
(Street) TOLEDO			43604 (Zip)		-   4. I	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Line	ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable e) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
		Tab	le I - Nor	n-Deri	vativ	e Se	curitie	s A	cqu	ired, D	isp	osed o	f, or E	en	eficiall	y Owned	l			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Trans: Date (Month/I				ear)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year			3. Transact Code (In: 8)						Benefici Owned F	es ally Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
										Code \	,	Amount	nount (A) or P		Price			Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common	Stock			05/1	2/200	/2004				A		1,288	1,288 A		\$0	3,	3,114		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. Deemee Execution I if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transa Code ( 8)				6. Date Exercisal Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)				Amour Securi Underl Deriva	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e s Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exe	e ercisable		xpiration ate	Title		Amount or Number of Shares					
Non- qualified Stock Options <sup>(1)</sup>	\$38.8	05/12/2004			A		1,984		05/1	12/2005 <sup>(2)</sup>	0	5/12/2014	Comm Stock		1,984	\$38.8	1,984	1	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 installments beginning on May 12, 2005.

/s/ Bradford T. Smith,

Attorney-in-Fact for M. Keith 05/14/2004

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\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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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