

Carlton William Franklin
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Carlton William Franklin

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 AMERICAN NATIONAL INSURANCE CO /TX/ [ANAT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 ONE MOODY PLAZA
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/01/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 See Remarks

GALVESTON, TX 77550
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| Common Stock <u>(1)</u> | 03/01/2012 | | M | 34 | \$ 0 | 34 | D |
| Common Stock <u>(2)</u> | 03/01/2012 | | F | 9 | \$ 71.69 | 25 | D |

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Restricted Stock Units | (3) | 03/01/2012 | | M | 34 | 03/01/2012 ⁽⁴⁾ 03/01/2014 ⁽⁴⁾ | Common Stock | 34 |
| Restricted Stock Units | (3) | 03/01/2012 | | A | 100 | 03/01/2013 ⁽⁵⁾ 03/01/2015 ⁽⁵⁾ | Common Stock | 100 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Carlton William Franklin ONE MOODY PLAZA GALVESTON, TX 77550 | | | | See Remarks |

Signatures

William F. Carlton, by J. Mark Flippin as Attorney-in-Fact 03/02/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) This transaction represents the settlement of vested restricted stock units in shares of common stock.
 - (2) Shares withheld at the election of the Reporting Person to satisfy applicable tax obligations.
 - (3) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the issuer's common stock.
These restricted stock units vest in three substantially equal annual installments, beginning on March 1, 2012, or upon the reporting person's earlier retirement, death or disability. Upon vesting, the reporting person receives a number of shares of the issuer's common stock equal to the number of restricted stock units that have vested.
 - (5) These restricted stock units vest in three substantially equal annual installments, beginning on March 1, 2013, or upon the reporting person's earlier retirement, death or disability. Upon vesting, the reporting person receives a number of shares of the issuer's common

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stock equal to the number of restricted stock units that have vested.

Remarks:

Reporting Person is Senior Vice President and Corporate Controller.

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