FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington,	D.C.	20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SHENK ROBERT G					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol DONEGAL GROUP INC [DGICA]										all app Dired	olicable) ctor		Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1195 RIVER ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/02/2009									Officer (give title Other (specify below) Sr. VP - Claims				
(Street) MARIETTA PA 17547 (City) (State) (Zip)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Forn Forn	dual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
		Tabl	e I - No	on-Deriv	/ative	Sec	uritie	s Ac	quirec	l, Di	sposed o	f, or E	enefic	ially	Owne	ed			
			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
							Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)			
Class A Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ 01/02					2009				J	V	91	A	\$14.	.2545	15,649		D		
Class A C	Common Sto	ock														Child			
Class B C	ommon Sto	ock													5,400 D				
Class B C	Common Stock 50								50	I	Child								
		Та	ble II -								osed of, convertib				vned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	if any	med on Date, Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)	Instr.	5. Nu of Deriv Secu (A) on Dispo of (D) (Instr and 5	ative rities ired osed	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration Exercisable Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) Amount or Number of				9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction((Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		

Explanation of Responses:

1. Employee Stock Purchase Plan

Jeffrey D. Miller, by power of <u>attorney</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

01/02/2009

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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