FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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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]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (cite title Check Case)					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1195 RIVER ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/01/2005								X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Senior VP						
(Street) MARIETTA PA 17547					4. 1										Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable le) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(S		(Zip)		<u> </u>							_								
		Tab	le I - Nor	n-Deriv	/ative	e Se	curities	Acq	uired, [Disp	osed o	f, or Be	neficia	ly Ov	ned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)						ear) i	2A. Deemed Execution Date, f any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)			4 and Securitie Benefici		s ally ollowing	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Tra	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(111501.4)		
Class A Common Stock 07/01/						2005			J ⁽¹⁾		47	A \$1		71	11,005			D		
	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 I if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transa Code (I 8)		of E		s. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pri Deriv Secu (Instr	ative rity	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares							
Options	\$21	07/21/2005			A		30,000		01/01/2006	0	7/21/2010	Class A Common Stock	30,000	\$	0	30,000		D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. Employee Stock Purchase Plan

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

09/22/2005

** 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).
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