FORM 4

## 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* <u>NIKOLAUS DONALD H</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol DONEGAL GROUP INC [ DGICA ]								Reparting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     X Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 1195 RIVER ROAD PO BOX 302		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/15/2012								X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  President & CEO						
(Street) MARIETTA PA 17547			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									•			IP Filing (Check Applicable ne Reporting Person ore than One Reporting	
(City) (State) (Zip)	n-Deriva	tive S	Securities	<u> </u>	auire	d D	isnosad o	f or Re	neficia	ally	Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year		2A. Deemed Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 an			5. Amount Securities Beneficially Owned Foll		,	6. Owner Form: D (D) or Ir (I) (Instr	Direct I ndirect I r. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
					Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Reported Transaction (Instr. 3 and	n(s) I 4)			Instr. 4)	
Class A Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	11/15/201	12			J	V	434.247	A	\$13.0	08	156,276	5.732	I		401(k) Plan	
Class A Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	11/15/2012				J	V	1,435.251	. A	\$13.30	.301 157,711.9		.983	I		401(k) Plan	
Class A Common Stock											115,637	.869	Γ			
Class A Common Stock											16,365.	.798	I	:	Spouse	
Class A Common Stock											166,3	69	I		Family Foundation	
Class B Common Stock											130,210.44		D			
Class B Common Stock											51,637.532		I		101(k) Plan	
Class B Common Stock											589		I	:	Spouse	
Class B Common Stock											3,938		I		Family Foundation	
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)															
1. Title of Derivative Conversion Security (Instr. 3) Perivative Security	n Date, Transact Code (Ins				-		ate	7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		Security		9. Numl derivati Securiti Benefic Owned Followi Reporte Transac	ve ies ially ng ed	10. Ownersh Form: Direct (D or Indirec (I) (Instr.	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)	
	Cod	e V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share	r		(Instr. 4				
Options \$14.5 12/20/2012	A		150,000		07/01/	2013	12/20/2022	Class A Common Stock	150,00	00	\$0	150,	000	D		

1. Dividend Reinvestment - 401(k) Plan

Donald H. Nikolaus

12/21/2012

\*\* 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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