# FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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| Instruction 1(b).   |
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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Addr  |         | 5        | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol<br><u>DONEGAL GROUP INC</u> [DGICA] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable) |  |  |  |  |  |
|-------------------|---------|----------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| NIKOLAUS DONALD H |         | <u> </u> |  | X Director 10% Owner   |  |  |  |  |  |
|                   |         |          |  | Officer (give title X Other (specify                                       |  |  |  |  |  |
| (Last)            | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)                                       | below) A below)  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1195 RIVER ROAD   |         |          | 01/04/2016   | See Remarks  |  |  |  |  |  |
| PO BOX 302        |         |          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| (Street)          |         |          | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                               | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)                |  |  |  |  |  |
| MARIETTA          | PA      | 17547    |  | X Form filed by One Reporting Person                                       |  |  |  |  |  |
| ·····             |         |          |  | Form filed by More than One Reporting<br>Person                            |  |  |  |  |  |
| (City)            | (State) | (Zip)    |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)     | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8) |   |        |               |         | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned Following | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership |
|-------------------------------------|--|---|---|---|--------|---------------|---------|---|---|---|
|                                     |  |   | Code                                    | v | Amount | (A) or<br>(D) | Price   | Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)                |   | (Instr. 4)  |
| Class A Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup> | 01/04/2016                                 |   | A                                       |   | 500    | A             | \$14.08 | 111,453.869   | D   |   |
| Class A Common Stock                |  |   |   |   |        |               |         | 180,519.82  | I   | 401(k)<br>Plan                                      |
| Class A Common Stock                |  |   |   |   |        |               |         | 16,365.798  | I   | Spouse  |
| Class A Common Stock                |  |   |   |   |        |               |         | 166,369   | I   | Family<br>Foundatior                                |
| Class A Common Stock                |  |   |   |   |        |               |         | 12,668  | I   | Trust   |
| Class B Common Stock                |  |   |   |   |        |               |         | 130,210.44  | D   |   |
| Class B Common Stock                |  |   |   |   |        |               |         | 51,705.828  | I   | 401(k)<br>Plan                                      |
| Class B Common Stock                |  |   |   |   |        |               |         | 589   | Ι   | Spouse  |
| Class B Common Stock                |  |   |   |   |        |               |         | 3,938   | Ι   | Family<br>Foundatior                                |

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

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) |   | of<br>Deriv<br>Secu<br>Acqu<br>(A) or<br>Dispo<br>of (D) | posed<br>D)<br>str. 3, 4 |                     | ate                | Amount of |  | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---|---|--|---|------------------------------|---|--|--------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------|--|---|--|--|--|
|   |   |  |   | Code                         | v | (A)  | (D)                      | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title     | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |   |  |  |  |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Grant for Directors Equity Incentive Plan

#### Remarks:

Reporting Person is Chairman of the Board of Donegal Group Inc. ("DGI"). Reporting Person is also President, Chief Executive Officer and a director of Donegal Mutual Insurance Company, the holder of majority control of DGI.

Donald H. Nikolaus

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

01/04/2016

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).

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