

RLI CORP  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
STONE MICHAEL J

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE  
(Street)

PEORIA, IL 61615

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
RLI CORP [RLI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/16/2010

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director  
\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below)  10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
President RLI Insurance Compan

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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	02/16/2010		J <sup>(2)</sup>	V	447.373	A	\$ 51.095	15,190.2855	I	By Empl. Stock Ownership Plan <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock								100,798.0464	D <sup>(3)</sup>	
Common Stock								18,108.5157	I	By Trust <sup>(3)</sup>
Common Stock								3,564.2674	I	M. J. Stone Grantor Retained

Common Stock	5,000	I	Annuity Trust (M1)  M.J. Stone Grantor Retained Annuity Trust (M2)
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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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 46.9					05/07/2010 <sup>(4)</sup> 05/07/2017	Common Stock	32,000
Stock Option	\$ 50					05/01/2009 <sup>(4)</sup> 05/01/2018	Common Stock	34,000
Stock Option	\$ 56.09					05/03/2008 <sup>(4)</sup> 05/03/2017	Common Stock	31,500
Stock Option	\$ 50.15					05/04/2007 <sup>(4)</sup> 05/04/2016	Common Stock	27,500
Stock Option	\$ 44.54					05/05/2006 <sup>(4)</sup> 05/05/2015	Common Stock	30,000
Stock Option	\$ 35.08					05/06/2005 05/06/2014	Common Stock	40,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Reporting Owners

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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

STONE MICHAEL J  
9025 N. LINDBERGH DRIVE  
PEORIA, IL 61615

President RLI Insurance Compan

## Signatures

/s/ Michael J.

Stone

02/22/2010

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) Ownership reflects shares allocated to ESOP participant's account and dividend reinvestment.
- (2) Transaction reflects 2009 ESOP contribution.
- (3) Ownership reflects dividend reinvestment.
- (4) Pursuant to option schedule wherein 20% of the aggregate number of shares granted may be exercised commencing one year from grant date and each year thereafter in 20% increments.

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