RAGER R SCOTT
Form 4
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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
RAGER R SCOTT

(Last) (First) (Middle)

307 NORTH MICHIGAN AVENUE, SUITE 2300

(Street)

CHICAGO, IL 60601

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
OLD REPUBLIC INTERNATIONAL CORP [ORI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
04/16/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_____ Director _____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
SrVP-Administration & Planning

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities

Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option	$ 10.48	04/16/2009(1)	04/16/2009(1)	A	10,000 (2)		12/31/2009	03/25/2019	Common Stock	10,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
RAGER R SCOTT 307 NORTH MICHIGAN AVENUE SUITE 2300 CHICAGO, IL 60601			SrVP-Administration & Planning	

Signatures

R. Scott Rager	04/16/2009
**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) Date of notification to the optionee.

(2) These shares vest and become exercisable, effective December 31, 2009, at the rate of 10% the first year, 15% the second year, 20% the third year, 25% the fourth year and 30% the fifth year. However, if an optionee dies, becomes disabled, retires after attaining the age 57 or a change in control of the company occurs, the options vest immediately to the extent of the higher of 10% of the award for each year, the optionee has been an employee of the actual vested percentage of the award plus 50% of the remaining unvested amount.

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