

NELSON GLYN J
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
NELSON GLYN J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
LANDAMERICA FINANCIAL GROUP INC [LFG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
2436 PAYETTE PLACE
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/16/2004

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Executive Vice President

TUSTIN, CA 92782

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount Price			
Common Stock	12/16/2004		M	105 A \$ 0	5,384	D	
Common Stock	12/16/2004		D	105 D \$ 56.14	5,279	D	
Common Stock					1,399.925	I	By 401(k) plan

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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. Derivative Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)
Phantom Stock ⁽¹⁾	\$ 0	12/16/2004		M	105	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	Common Stock	105

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
NELSON GLYN J 2436 PAYETTE PLACE TUSTIN, CA 92782			Executive Vice President	

Signatures

By: Wm. Chadwick Perrine For: Glyn J. Nelson
Date: 01/28/2005

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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The phantom stock units disposed were cash units that vested on the anniversary date of the grant. The units were hypothetically

(1) converted to common stock and hypothetically sold at the closing price on December 16, 2004, with the insider receiving cash for the value of the units. The reporting of this transaction should have taken place two business days after the vesting date.

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