LARDNER HENRY P

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b).

Common

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Stock

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(Print or Type Responses)

03/03/2005

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LARDNER HENRY P			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol OLD REPUBLIC INTERNATIONAL CORP [ORI]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
307 N MICHIGAN AVE, STE 2300			(Month/Day/Year) 03/03/2005				Officer (give below)	below)	r (specify	
(Street)			4. If Ame	endment, Da	te Original		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
	Filed(Mo	nth/Day/Year)		Applicable Line)					
CHICAGO, IL 60601							_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-D	erivative S	ecurities Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of	1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deer		ned	3.	4. Securities Acquired		5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of	
Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution		n Date, if	Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D		posed of (D)	Securities	Ownership	Indirect		
(Instr. 3) any		Code		(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Beneficially	Form: Direct	Beneficial		
		(Month/I	Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)			Owned	(D) or	Ownership	
							Following	Indirect (I)	(Instr. 4)	
						(A)	Reported	(Instr. 4)		
						or	Transaction(s)			
				Code V	Amount		(Instr. 3 and 4)			

Amount

7,500

0

(D)

A

D

Price

5,801

74,397

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Ι

\$0

Common 03/03/2005 S 7,500 D 43,546 D Stock Common 03/03/2005 V 21,750 D \$0 21,796 D

Code V

J(1)

S

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

By 401-K

By Spouse

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	orNumber	Expiration Date		Amour	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Underl	ying	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securit	ies	(Instr. 5)	Bene
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		Own
	Security				Acquired						Follo
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					Disposed						Trans
					of (D)						(Instr
					(Instr. 3,					Ì	
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
						Date	Expiration		or		
						Exercisable	Date	Title Number			
						2			of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LARDNER HENRY P 307 N MICHIGAN AVE STE 2300 CHICAGO, IL 60601

X

Signatures

William J. Dasso, Power of Attorney for Peter Lardner

03/04/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) No transactions to report related to this indirect ownership of 5,801 shares.

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