

PROTECTIVE LIFE CORP  
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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 \*  
**KING CAROLYN**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2801 HIGHWAY 280 SOUTH

(Street)

BIRMINGHAM, AL 35223

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**PROTECTIVE LIFE CORP [PL]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**05/17/2007**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**SR. VP**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 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			
Common Stock	05/17/2007		A	3,240 A \$ 47.323	5,240	D	
Common Stock	05/17/2007		F	1,036 D \$ 47.323	4,204	D	
Common Stock					3,295.8672	I	By 401(k) <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock					21,025.836	I	Deferred Compensation <sup>(2)</sup>

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)
<u>SAR 11</u> (3)	\$ 43.46					03/05/2008	03/05/2017	SAR	825
<u>SAR 11a</u> (3)	\$ 43.46					03/05/2009	03/05/2017	SAR	825
<u>SAR 11b</u> (3)	\$ 43.46					03/05/2010	03/05/2017	SAR	825
<u>SAR 11c</u> (3)	\$ 43.46					03/05/2011	03/05/2017	SAR	825
<u>SAR 4</u> (3)	\$ 32					03/04/2007	03/04/2012	SAR	15,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KING CAROLYN 2801 HIGHWAY 280 SOUTH BIRMINGHAM, AL 35223			SR. VP	

## Signatures

By: Nancy Kane  
Attorney-in-Fact 05/18/2007

\_\_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) Total Shares held by reporting person in PLC's 401(k) & Stock Ownership Plan as of 4/30/07.
- (2) Shares acquired through PLC Def. Comp. Plan for Officers of the Corporation (exempt under Rule 16b-3). Total amount in Col. 5 includes dividend shares acquired under the PLC Def. Comp. Plan for Officers exempt under Rule 16-a 11.
- (3) Previously reported Stock Appreciation Right (SAR).

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