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CONSECO INC  
Form SC 13G/A  
February 13, 2004

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

SCHEDULE 13G

UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

(AMENDMENT NO. 1) (1)

CONSECO, INC.

-----  
(Name of Issuer)

COMMON STOCK

-----  
(Title of Class of Securities)

208464883

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(CUSIP Number)

NONE

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(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

Rule 13d-1(b)  
 Rule 13d-1(c)  
 Rule 13d-1(d)

(1) The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
/I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON  
APPALOOSA INVESTMENT LIMITED PARTNERSHIP I

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\* (a)   
(b)

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3 SEC USE ONLY

4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
DELAWARE

5 SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF -0-  
SHARES

6 SHARED VOTING POWER

BENEFICIALLY 675,507  
OWNED BY

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

EACH -0-  
REPORTING PERSON

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

WITH 675,507

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
675,507

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES  
CERTAIN SHARES\*

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)  
0.7%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*  
PN

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
/I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON  
PALOMINO FUND LTD.

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\* (a)   
(b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS

5 SOLE VOTING POWER

NUMBER OF -0-  
SHARES

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6 SHARED VOTING POWER  
BENEFICIALLY 591,993  
OWNED BY  
EACH 7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
REPORTING -0-  
PERSON  
WITH 8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
591,993  
9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
591,993  
10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES\* |\_  
11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)  
0.6%  
12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*  
CO

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
/I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON  
APPALOOSA MANAGEMENT L.P.  
2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\* (a) |\_  
(b) |\_  
3 SEC USE ONLY  
4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
DELAWARE  
5 SOLE VOTING POWER  
NUMBER OF -0-  
SHARES  
6 SHARED VOTING POWER  
BENEFICIALLY 1,267,500  
OWNED BY  
EACH 7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
REPORTING -0-  
PERSON

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8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
WITH  
1,267,500

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
1,267,500

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES  
CERTAIN SHARES\*

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)  
1.3%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*  
PN

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/I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON  
APPALOOSA PARTNERS INC.

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\* (a)   
(b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
DELAWARE

5 SOLE VOTING POWER  
NUMBER OF  
SHARES  
-0-

6 SHARED VOTING POWER  
BENEFICIALLY  
OWNED BY  
1,267,500

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
EACH  
REPORTING  
PERSON  
-0-

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
WITH  
1,267,500

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
1,267,500

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES  
CERTAIN SHARES\*

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11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)  
1.3%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*  
CO

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON  
/I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON  
DAVID A. TEPPER

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP\* (a)   
(b)

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION  
UNITED STATES

5 SOLE VOTING POWER  
NUMBER OF 1,826,908  
SHARES

6 SHARED VOTING POWER  
BENEFICIALLY 1,267,500  
OWNED BY

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER  
EACH 1,826,908  
REPORTING

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER  
PERSON 1,267,500  
WITH

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON  
3,094,408

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES  
CERTAIN SHARES\*

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)  
3.1%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON\*  
IN

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This Amendment No. 1 to the statement on Schedule 13G filed by and on behalf of Appaloosa Investment Limited Partnership I ("AILP"), Palomino Fund Ltd. ("Palomino"), Appaloosa Management L.P. ("AMLP"), Appaloosa Partners Inc. ("API") and David A. Tepper ("Mr. Tepper" and, together with AILP, Palomino, AMLP and API, the "Reporting Persons") filed on October 8, 2003 (the "Schedule 13G") relates to the common stock of Conseco, Inc. (the "Company"). As of December 9, 2003, the Reporting Persons' ownership position fell below 5%. As of the date of this filing, the Reporting Persons' ownership continues to remain below 5% and, therefore, the Reporting Persons are filing this Amendment to reflect that, pursuant to Rule 13d-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Reporting Persons no longer have an obligation to make additional 13G filings.

Item 1.

(a) NAME OF ISSUER:

Conseco, Inc.

(b) ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES:

11825 N. Pennsylvania Street  
Carmel, Indiana 46032

Item 2.

(a) NAME OF PERSON FILING:

This Schedule 13G is filed by AILP, Palomino, AMLP, API and Mr. Tepper.

(b) ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE:

The business address of each of the Reporting Persons is c/o Appaloosa Management L.P., 26 Main Street, Chatham, NJ 07928.

(c) CITIZENSHIP:

AILP is a Delaware limited partnership. Palomino is a British Virgin Islands corporation. AMLP is a Delaware limited partnership. API is a Delaware corporation. Mr. Tepper is a citizen of the United States.

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(d) TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES:

Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share.

(e) CUSIP NUMBER: 208464883

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Item 3. IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO RULES 13d-1(b), OR 13d-2(b) OR (c), CHECK WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A:

- (a)  Broker or Dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78o);
- (b)  Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c);
- (c)  Insurance Company as defined in Section 3(a)(19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c);
- (d)  Investment Company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act (15 U.S.C. 80a-8);
- (e)  An investment advisor in accordance with Section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);
- (f)  An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with Section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);
- (g)  A parent holding company or control person, in accordance with Section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);
- (h)  A savings association as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813);
- (i)  A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under Section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3);
- (j)  Group, in accordance with Section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(H)

If this statement is filed pursuant to ss. 240.13d-1(c), check this box.

Item 4. OWNERSHIP:

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The percentages set forth in this Item 4 are based on there being 100,098,119 shares of Common Stock outstanding as of November 10, 2003 as disclosed in Conseco, Inc.'s Form 10-Q filed on November 19, 2003 for the quarterly period ended September 20, 2003.

AILP  
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- (a) AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED: 675,507
- (b) PERCENT OF CLASS: 0.7%
- (c) NUMBER OF SHARES AS TO WHICH SUCH PERSON HAS:
  - (i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote: -0-
  - (ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 675,507

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(iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: -0-

(iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:  
675,507

Palomino  
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(a) AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED: 591,993

(b) PERCENT OF CLASS: 0.6%

(c) NUMBER OF SHARES AS TO WHICH SUCH PERSON HAS:

(i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote: -0-

(ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 591,993

(iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: -0-

(iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:  
591,993

AMLPL  
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(a) AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED: 1,267,500

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(b) PERCENT OF CLASS: 1.3%

(c) NUMBER OF SHARES AS TO WHICH SUCH PERSON HAS:

(i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote: -0-

(ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 1,267,500

(iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: -0-

(iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:  
1,267,500

API  
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(a) AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED: 1,267,500

(b) PERCENT OF CLASS: 1.3%

(c) NUMBER OF SHARES AS TO WHICH SUCH PERSON HAS:

(i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote: -0-

(ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 1,267,500

(iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of: -0-



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(iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:  
1,267,500

David A. Tepper  
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(a) AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED: 3,094,408

(b) PERCENT OF CLASS: 3.1%

(c) NUMBER OF SHARES AS TO WHICH SUCH PERSON HAS:

(i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote: 1,826,908

(ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote: 1,267,500

(iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:  
1,826,908

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(iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:  
1,267,500

Item 5. OWNERSHIP OF FIVE PERCENT OR LESS OF A CLASS:

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following: |X|

Item 6. OWNERSHIP OF MORE THAN FIVE PERCENT ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PERSON:

Not applicable.

Item 7. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE SUBSIDIARY WHICH ACQUIRED THE SECURITY BEING REPORTED ON BY THE PARENT HOLDING COMPANY:

Not applicable.

Item 8. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUP:

Not applicable.

Item 9. NOTICES OF DISSOLUTION OF GROUP:

Not applicable.

Item 10. CERTIFICATION:

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

SIGNATURE PAGE

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After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: February 13, 2004

APPALOOSA INVESTMENT LIMITED PARTNERSHIP I

By: APPALOOSA MANAGEMENT L.P.,  
Its General Partner

By: APPALOOSA PARTNERS INC.,  
Its General Partner

By: /s/ David A. Tepper

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Name: David A. Tepper  
Title: President

PALOMINO FUND LTD.

By: APPALOOSA MANAGEMENT L.P.,  
Its Investment Adviser

By: APPALOOSA PARTNERS INC.,  
Its General Partner

By: /s/ David A. Tepper

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Name: David A. Tepper  
Title: President

APPALOOSA MANAGEMENT L.P.

By: APPALOOSA PARTNERS INC.,  
Its General Partner

By: /s/ David A. Tepper

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Name: David A. Tepper  
Title: President

APPALOOSA PARTNERS INC.

By: /s/ David A. Tepper

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Name: David A. Tepper  
Title: President

/s/ David A. Tepper

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David A. Tepper

EXHIBIT A

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JOINT FILING AGREEMENT

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The undersigned agree that the foregoing Statement on Schedule 13G (including any and all amendments thereto) is being filed with the Commission on behalf of each of the undersigned pursuant to Rule 13d-1(k) and further agree that this Joint Filing Agreement be included as an Exhibit to such joint filings.

Dated: February 13, 2004

APPALOOSA INVESTMENT LIMITED PARTNERSHIP I

By: APPALOOSA MANAGEMENT L.P.,  
Its General Partner

By: APPALOOSA PARTNERS INC.,  
Its General Partner

By: /s/ David A. Tepper

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Name: David A. Tepper  
Title: President

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By: /s/ David A. Tepper

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Name: David A. Tepper  
Title: President

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Name: David A. Tepper  
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APPALOOSA PARTNERS INC.

By: /s/ David A. Tepper

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Name: David A. Tepper  
Title: President

/s/ David A. Tepper

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David A. Tepper