Moody Robert L Form 4 May 28, 2013

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

obligations may continue. See Instruction

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Moody Robert L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

NATIONAL WESTERN LIFE INSURANCE CO [NWLI]

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 05/24/2013

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_X__ 10% Owner _X__ Director X_ Officer (give title _ Other (specify below)

Chairman & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

AUSTIN, TX 78752

850 E ANDERSON LANE

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqui	ired, Disposed of	or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit DID DISPOS (Instr. 3,	ed of		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)
Class A Common Stock	05/24/2013		M	21,000		\$ 150	21,000	D	
Class A Common Stock	05/24/2013		F	16,216	D	\$ 194.25	4,784	D	
Class A Common Stock	05/24/2013		F	1,674	D	\$ 194.25	3,109	D	
Class A Common	05/24/2013		S	3,109 (3)	D	\$ 194.25	0	D	

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Stock

Class A
Common 1,159,096 D
Stock
Class B
Common 198,074 D
Stock

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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 A Underlying Se (Instr. 3 and 4
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Non-Qualified Stock Options	\$ 150	05/24/2013		M	1,000	06/25/2005	06/25/2014	Class A Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Options	\$ 150	05/24/2013		M	20,000	04/23/2007	04/23/2014	Class A Common Stock
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 132.56					12/14/2012	12/14/2021	Class A Common Stock
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Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 114.64					02/19/2010(1)	02/19/2019	Class A Common Stock
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Non-Qualified Stock Options	\$ 208.05	06/20/2009(2)	06/20/2018	Class A Common Stock
Non-Qualified Stock Options	\$ 255.13	04/18/2011(2)	04/18/2018	Class A Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Moody Robert L 850 E ANDERSON LANE AUSTIN, TX 78752	X	X	Chairman & CEO				

Signatures

Robert L.
Moody

**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) The SARs are exercisable as they vest. The SARs vest in five equal annual installments beginning on the Date Exercisable.
- (2) The options are exercisable as they vest. The options vest in five equal annual installments beginning on the Date Exercisable.
- (3) These shares were sold by the reporting person to the registrant pursuant to the registrant's share repurchase program.

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