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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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

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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

1(b).

(Last)

1. Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Mense D Craig

(First) (Middle)

333 S. WABASH AVE.

CHICAGO, IL 60604

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

CNA FINANCIAL CORP [CNA]

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

02/07/2007

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)

EVP & CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X 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

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Form: Direct (I) (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial

Ownership (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 4. 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **Transaction**Derivative **Expiration Date** Security or Exercise Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) any

7. Title and Amo

Underlying Secu

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of Derivative Security

(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)

or Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

Code V

(A) (D) Date Exercisable Expiration

Date

Title

Stock

Appreciation \$ 41.86 02/07/2007 Rights (1)

A 25,000

Other

02/07/2007(1) 02/07/2017

Common Shares

Aı

or Nı of

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer

Mense D Craig

333 S. WABASH AVE. CHICAGO, IL 60604

EVP & CFO

Signatures

D. Craig Mense 02/07/2007 **Signature of Date

Reporting Person

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).
- The stock appreciation rights paid in CNA Financial Common Stock vests annually in four equal installments commencing February 7, (1)

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