## FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNER	SHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>ASHLEY RICHARD W</u>					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ ABT ]									eck all app Dired	olicable) ctor		Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/27/2009									A below			′ I	
(Street) ABBOT	ΓPARK IL		50064-64 Zip)	00	4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					Lin	e) X Forn Forn	ridual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person					
		Tabl	e I - Nor	า-Deriv	ative	Se	curitie	s Ac	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or I	Bene	ficial	ly Own	ed		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da				Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)  4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4) 5)				A) or 3, 4 and	Secur Benef	icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
								Code	v	Amount (A) o		) or )	Price	Trans	action(s) 3 and 4)		(111511.4)	
Common shares without par value 02/27			02/27	/2009		F		13,309 D \$		\$50.5	58 2	19,547	D					
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	erivative Conversion Date Execution Date, ecurity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		4. Transa Code ( 8)			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date Expiration Date Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares		ount	3. Price of Oerivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				

**Explanation of Responses:** 

John A. Berry by power of attorney for Richard W. Ashley

03/03/2009

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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