

NATIONAL WESTERN LIFE INSURANCE CO  
 Form 4  
 December 13, 2013

**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Martinez Carlos A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 NATIONAL WESTERN LIFE INSURANCE CO [NWLI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 850 E. ANDERSON LANE  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/11/2013

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Sr VP - Intl Marketing

AUSTIN, TX 78752  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	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 Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (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	Am or Nur of Sha
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 210.22	12/11/2013	A	1,000					12/11/2016 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/11/2023	Class A Common Stock	1,000
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 132.56								12/14/2014 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/14/2021	Class A Common Stock	500
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 114.64								02/19/2012 <sup>(1)</sup>	02/19/2019	Class A Common Stock	500
Non Qualified Stock Options	\$ 255.13								04/18/2011 <sup>(2)</sup>	04/18/2018	Class A Common Stock	500
Non Qualified Stock Options	\$ 150								04/23/2007 <sup>(2)</sup>	04/23/2014	Class A Common Stock	400

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Martinez Carlos A 850 E. ANDERSON LANE AUSTIN, TX 78752			Sr VP - Intl Marketing	

## Signatures

Carlos A. Martinez  
12/13/2013

\*\*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.

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(2) The options are exercisable as they vest. The options vest in five equal annual installments beginning on the Date Exercisable.

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