TORCHMARK CORP

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading MCWORTER ANTHONY L Issuer Symbol TORCHMARK CORP [TMK] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner Officer (give title __X_ Other (specify below) below) Exec. Officer of Principal Sub

LIBERTY NATIONAL LIFE **INSURANCE COMPANY, 2001** THIRD AVENUE SOUTH

BIRMINGHAM, AL 35233

Common

Stock

02/13/2012

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

02/10/2012

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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(2) (3)

25,000 D

47.4957 48,951

(City)	(State)	Table Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acquire	ed, Disposed of, o	or Beneficiall	y 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 over Dispos (Instr. 3, 4)	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)
Common Stock	02/10/2012		M M	25,000	A	\$ 36.5134	73,951	D	
Common Stock	02/10/2012		S	25,000	D	\$ 47.1229 (1) (2)	48,951	D	
Common Stock	02/13/2012		M	25,000	A	\$ 36.5134	73,951	D	

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Common Stock	0	I	Thrift Plan/401(k) Trust
Torchmark			
Capital			
Trust III	1,000	D	
Trust	1,000	D	
Preferred			
Securities			

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 (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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 36.5134	02/10/2012		M	25,000	11/04/2005	05/04/2012	Common Stock	25,000
Employee Stock Option (Right to	\$ 36.5134	02/13/2012		M	25,000	11/04/2005	05/04/2012	Common Stock	25,000

Reporting Owners

Buy)

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
MCWORTER ANTHONY L				Exec. Officer of Principal		
LIBERTY NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE				Sub		

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COMPANY 2001 THIRD AVENUE SOUTH BIRMINGHAM, AL 35233

Signatures

Anthony L. McWhorter, By:/s/Carol A. McCoy, Attorney-in-fact

02/14/2012

**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) Sales at prices ranging from \$47.10 per share to \$47.18 per share.
- (2) Reporting person will provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer or any security holder of the issuer.
- (3) Sales at prices ranging from \$47.40 per share to \$47.60 per share.

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