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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person _* Perry Scott R		Statement (Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CONSECO INC [CNO]				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	09/06/2006 4. Relationship of Reporti Person(s) to Issuer			ţ	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
222 MERCHANDISE MART PLAZA				(Check	all applicable))	
(Street) CHICAGO, IL 60654-2001				Director 10% Owner X_Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) EVP, COO, Bankers Life		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - N	lon-Derivat	ive Securiti	ies Bei	neficially Owned
1.Title of Secu (Instr. 4)	rity		2. Amount of Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nat Owner (Instr.	•
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security	4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
		(Instr. 4)	Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)
		Title	Derivative	Security:	
			Security	Direct (D)	

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Options	10/01/2008	06/27/2015	Common Stock	25,000	\$ 21.67	D	Â
Stock Options	(1)	06/01/2014	Common Stock	18,000	\$ 21	D	Â
Stock Options	(2)	06/30/2016	Common Stock	45,000	\$ 23.1	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Perry Scott R 222 MERCHANDISE MART PLAZA CHICAGO, IL 60654-2001	Â	Â	EVP, COO, Bankers Life	Â		

Date

Signatures

Karl W. Kindig,	09/15/2006
Attorney-in-Fact	09/15/2000

<u>**</u>Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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 options vest in four equal annual installments beginning October 28, 2004.

(2) The options vest in four equal annual installments beginning June 30, 2007.

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