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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM N-PX

ANNUAL REPORT OF PROXY VOTING RECORD OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT
COMPANY

INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT FILE NUMBER: 811-21287
NAME OF REGISTRANT: John Hancock Preferred Income
Fund III
ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES: 601 Congress Street
Boston, MA 02210
NAME AND ADDRESS OF AGENT FOR SERVICE: Charles Rizzo
601 Congress Street
Boston, MA 02210
REGISTRANT'S TELEPHONE NUMBER: 617-663-3000
DATE OF FISCAL YEAR END: 05/31
DATE OF REPORTING PERIOD: 07/01/2011 - 06/30/2012

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AT&T INC.

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Security: 00206R102
Meeting Type: Annual
Meeting Date: 27-Apr-2012
Ticker: T
ISIN: US00206R1023

Prop.#	Proposal	Proposal Type	Proposal Vote
1A.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: RANDALL L. STEPHENSON	Mgmt	For
1B.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: GILBERT F. AMELIO	Mgmt	For
1C.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: REUBEN V. ANDERSON	Mgmt	For
1D.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: JAMES H. BLANCHARD	Mgmt	For
1E.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: JAIME CHICO PARDO	Mgmt	For

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1F.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: JAMES P. KELLY	Mgmt	For
1G.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: JON C. MADONNA	Mgmt	For
1H.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: JOHN B. MCCOY	Mgmt	For
1I.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: JOYCE M. ROCHE	Mgmt	For
1J.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: MATTHEW K. ROSE	Mgmt	For
1K.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: LAURA D'ANDREA TYSON	Mgmt	For
2.	RATIFICATION OF APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS.	Mgmt	For
3.	ADVISORY APPROVAL OF EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION.	Mgmt	For
4.	AMEND CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION.	Mgmt	For
5.	POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS REPORT.	Shr	For
6.	LIMIT WIRELESS NETWORK MANAGEMENT.	Shr	Against
7.	INDEPENDENT BOARD CHAIRMAN.	Shr	For

 BANK OF AMERICA CORPORATION

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 Security: 060505559
 Meeting Type: Annual
 Meeting Date: 09-May-2012
 Ticker: BMLPRQ
 ISIN: US0605055591

Prop.#	Proposal	Proposal Type	Proposal Vote
1A.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: MUKESH D. AMBANI	Mgmt	For
1B.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: SUSAN S. BIES	Mgmt	For
1C.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: FRANK P. BRAMBLE, SR.	Mgmt	For
1D.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: VIRGIS W. COLBERT	Mgmt	For
1E.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: CHARLES K. GIFFORD	Mgmt	For
1F.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: CHARLES O. HOLLIDAY, JR.	Mgmt	For
1G.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: MONICA C. LOZANO	Mgmt	For
1H.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: THOMAS J. MAY	Mgmt	For
1I.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: BRIAN T. MOYNIHAN	Mgmt	For
1J.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: DONALD E. POWELL	Mgmt	For

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1K.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: CHARLES O. ROSSOTTI	Mgmt	Against
1L.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: ROBERT W. SCULLY	Mgmt	For
2.	AN ADVISORY (NON-BINDING) "SAY ON PAY" VOTE TO APPROVE EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION.	Mgmt	For
3.	RATIFICATION OF THE APPOINTMENT OF THE REGISTERED INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM FOR 2012.	Mgmt	For
4.	STOCKHOLDER PROPOSAL - DISCLOSURE OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT.	Shr	Against
5.	STOCKHOLDER PROPOSAL - GRASSROOTS AND OTHER LOBBYING.	Shr	For
6.	STOCKHOLDER PROPOSAL - EXECUTIVES TO RETAIN SIGNIFICANT STOCK.	Shr	For
7.	STOCKHOLDER PROPOSAL - MORTGAGE SERVICING OPERATIONS.	Shr	Against
8.	STOCKHOLDER PROPOSAL - PROHIBITION ON POLITICAL SPENDING.	Shr	Against

ENTERGY CORPORATION

Agen

Security: 29364G103
Meeting Type: Annual
Meeting Date: 04-May-2012
Ticker: ETR
ISIN: US29364G1031

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1A.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: M.S. BATEMAN	Mgmt	For
1B.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: G.W. EDWARDS	Mgmt	For
1C.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: A.M. HERMAN	Mgmt	For
1D.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: D.C. HINTZ	Mgmt	For
1E.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: J.W. LEONARD	Mgmt	For
1F.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: S.L. LEVENICK	Mgmt	For
1G.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: B.L. LINCOLN	Mgmt	For
1H.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: S.C. MYERS	Mgmt	For
1I.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: W.A. PERCY, II	Mgmt	For
1J.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: W.J. TAUZIN	Mgmt	For

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1K.	ELECTION OF DIRECTOR: S.V. WILKINSON	Mgmt	For
2.	RATIFICATION OF SELECTION OF DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP AS INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS FOR 2012.	Mgmt	For
3.	ADVISORY VOTE TO APPROVE NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMPENSATION.	Mgmt	For

UIL HOLDINGS CORPORATION Agen

Security: 902748102
 Meeting Type: Annual
 Meeting Date: 15-May-2012
 Ticker: UIL
 ISIN: US9027481020

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1.	DIRECTOR THELMA R. ALBRIGHT ARNOLD L. CHASE BETSY HENLEY-COHN SUEDEEN G. KELLY JOHN L. LAHEY DANIEL J. MIGLIO WILLIAM F. MURDY DONALD R. SHASSIAN JAMES P. TORGERSON	Mgmt Mgmt Mgmt Mgmt Mgmt Mgmt Mgmt Mgmt Mgmt	For For For For For For For For For
2.	RATIFICATION OF THE SELECTION OF PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS LLP AS UIL HOLDINGS CORPORATION'S INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM FOR 2012.	Mgmt	For
3.	NON-BINDING ADVISORY VOTE TO APPROVE THE COMPENSATION OF THE NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS.	Mgmt	For

WACHOVIA PREFERRED FUNDING CORP. Agen

Security: 92977V206
 Meeting Type: Annual
 Meeting Date: 08-May-2012
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 ISIN: US92977V2060

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1.	DIRECTOR		
	JAMES E. ALWARD	Mgmt	For
	HOWARD T. HOOVER	Mgmt	For
	CHARLES F. JONES	Mgmt	For
	MICHAEL J. LOUGHLIN	Mgmt	For

* Management position unknown

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Investment Company Act of 1940, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

(Registrant)	John Hancock Preferred Income Fund III
By (Signature)	/s/ Keith F. Hartstein
Name	Keith F. Hartstein
Title	President
Date	08/24/2012