O NEIL FRANK B Form 4

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# FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

Common

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * O NEIL FRANK B			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol PROASSURANCE CORP [PRA]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
CORPORA	(First) ASSURANCE ATION, 100 OOD PLACE	(Middle)	, 2.24.0			of Earliest Transaction /Day/Year) 2012				(Check all applicable)  Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give titleX Other (specify below)  Senior Vice-President / Assistant Secretary			
				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				
BIRMINGHAM, AL 35209-6811 — Form filed by More than One Reporting Person													
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned										
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deeme Execution any (Month/Da	Date, if	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)				d of (D) 5)	5. Amount of Securities Ownership Indirect Beneficially Form: Beneficial Owned Direct (D) Ownership Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common Stock	12/03/2012			A		25 (1)	A	\$ 89.71 (1)	33,265	D			
Common Stock									629	I	In Trust (2)		

Shares held in

ProAssurance

the

Group Savings and Retirement

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			Plan
Common Stock	283	I	Shares held in a UTMA account for the reporting person's son. Reporting person acts as trustee.
Common Stock	315	I	By daughter

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)

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 Code of (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)  (Instr. 8) Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			ate	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
Restricted Stock Units	(3)					(3)	(3)	Common Stock	55
Restricted Stock Units	(3)					<u>(3)</u>	(3)	Common Stock	39
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(4)</u>					<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	1,040
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(5)</u>					<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	1,040

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## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

O NEIL FRANK B C/O PROASSURANCE CORPORATION 100 BROOKWOOD PLACE BIRMINGHAM, AL 35209-6811

Senior Vice-President Assistant Secretary

## **Signatures**

Frank B. O'Neil 12/03/2012

\*\*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).
- Shares granted pursuant to ProAsssurance's Longevity Award program. These shares were approved and awarded to all eligible employees on December 3, 2012. The acquisition of ProAssurance Corporation shares reported herein is exempt from Section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act, as amended (the "Act"), by virtue of Rule 16b-3(d) promulgated under the Act.
- (2) Shares are held in the George O'Neil Generation-Skipping Trust, Non-Exempt, fbo Frank B. O'Neil. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership because the Trustee retains sole investment control over the shares.
  - RSU's are equal in value to one share of Common Stock, are issued under the 2008 Equity Plan and acquired under terms of the ProAssurance Corporation 2011 Employee Stock Ownership Plan. The RSUs will vest upon the sooner of three years of continuous employment, termination of employment by reason of death or disability or for "good reason," or a change of control of the Company. If a
- (3) participant terminates employment more than twelve months but less than three years from the date of grant, the RSUs will partially vest based on the number of days that the participant was employed in the vesting period. Any RSUs that are unvested on termination of employment will be forfeited. In addition, if a participant withdraws shares purchased for his or her account, matching unvested RSUs will be forfeited. Upon vesting, we will pay the RSUs in shares of our Common Stock from those shares reserved for issuance under the 2008 Equity Plan. Value to be established upon vesting.
  - Each Restricted Stock Unit (RSU) represents a contingent right to receive one share of ProAssurance Corporation common stock, issuable from the ProAssurance 2008 Equity Incentive Plan. The RSUs will vest if the reporting person remains continuously employed by ProAssurance or one of its subsidiaries until December 31, 2013 (three years from date of grant). Vesting will accelerate upon termination
- (4) of employment as the result of (i) death; (ii) disability; or (iii) Good Reason, as defined in the reporting person's employment agreement with ProAssurance Corporation, or by action of the Compensation Committee of the ProAssurance Corporation Board of Directors. The RSUs will be settled in shares of ProAssurance Common Stock and in cash, with the cash portion being approximately equal to the federal, state, and local taxes.
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