#### SIMPSON WILLIAM A

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* SIMPSON WILLIAM A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

OLD REPUBLIC

INTERNATIONAL CORP [ORI]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_\_ Director Officer (give title below)

10% Owner \_ Other (specify

307 N MICHIGAN AVE, STE 2300

09/06/2007

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Middle)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

CHICAGO, IL 60601

(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. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactiomr Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)  (A) or			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	09/06/2007		Code V M	Amount 84,375	(D)	Price \$ 15.49	295,790	D		
Common Stock	09/06/2007		M	56,250	A	\$ 10.4	352,040	D		
Common Stock	09/06/2007		S	118,200	D	\$ 18.2	233,840	D		
Common Stock	09/06/2007		<u>J(1)</u>	0	A	\$0	134,648	I	By Spouse	
Common Stock	09/06/2007		J(2)	0	A	\$ 0	37,697	I	By ESSOP	

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Common Stock 09/06/2007  $J_{\underline{(3)}} = 0$  A \$ 0 30,431 I By 401-K

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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)		3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Secu Acqu or D (D)	nrities uired (A) isposed of rr. 3, 4,	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
1998 Employe Stock Option	ee \$15.49	09/06/2007		M		84,375	03/19/1998	12/31/2007	Common Stock	84,375
1999 Employe Stock Option	ee \$ 10.4	09/06/2007		M		56,250	03/18/1999	12/31/2008	Common Stock	56,250

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
SIMPSON WILLIAM A							
307 N MICHIGAN AVE	X						
STE 2300	Λ						
CHICAGO, IL 60601							

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

# **Signatures**

William J. Dasso, Power of Attorney for William A.
Simpson

09/07/2007

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Date

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## **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) No transactions to report related to this indirect ownership of 134,648 shares.
- (2) No transactions to report related to this indirect ownership of 37,697 shares.
- (3) No transactions to report related to this indirect ownership of 30,431 shares.

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