

NIKOLAUS DONALD H  
Form 4  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
NIKOLAUS DONALD H

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
DONEGAL GROUP INC [DGICA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
1195 RIVER ROAD, PO BOX 302

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
11/15/2012

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
President & CEO

(Street)  
MARIETTA, PA 17547

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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(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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Class A Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	11/15/2012		J	V 434.247 A \$ 13.08	156,276.732	I	401(k) Plan
Class A Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	11/15/2012		J	V 1,435.251 A \$ 13.301	157,711.983	I	401(k) Plan
Class A Common Stock					115,637.869	D	
Class A Common					16,365.798	I	Spouse

Stock				
Class A Common Stock	166,369	I	Family Foundation	
Class B Common Stock	130,210.44	D		
Class B Common Stock	51,637.532	I	401(k) Plan	
Class B Common Stock	589	I	Spouse	
Class B Common Stock	3,938	I	Family Foundation	

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 Derivative 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
Options	\$ 14.5	12/20/2012		A	150,000	07/01/2013 12/20/2022	Class A Common Stock	150,000	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
NIKOLAUS DONALD H 1195 RIVER ROAD PO BOX 302	X		President & CEO	

MARIETTA, PA 17547

## Signatures

Donald H.  
Nikolaus

12/21/2012

\_\_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) Dividend Reinvestment - 401(k) Plan

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