O NEIL FRANK B Form 4

October 07, 2011

# FORM 4

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1. Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

Common

Stock

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* O NEIL FRANK B

(First)

(Middle)

C/O PROASSURANCE CORPORATION, 100 **BROOKWOOD PLACE** 

(Street)

(State)

BIRMINGHAM, AL 35209-6811

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

PROASSURANCE CORP [PRA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/07/2011

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 4. Securities Acquired

Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

Price

76.56

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

Code (Instr. 8)

Code V Amount (D) 39 (1) 10/06/2011 A

Common Stock

Common Stock

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner

\_X\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_X\_\_ Other (specify below) below) Senior Vice-President / Assistant Secretary

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Person

5. Amount of 6. 7. Nature of Securities Ownership Indirect Beneficially Form: Beneficial

Owned Direct (D) **Following** or Indirect Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

25,039 D

629

2.025

I

I

Shares held in

In Trust (3)

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

the ProAssurance Group

Savings and Retirement Plan

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Common Stock						283	a a I P F F	chares held in UTMA count for the reporting terson's son. Reporting terson acts as trustee.	
Common Stock						315	I E	By daughter	
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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			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	<u>(2)</u>	10/06/2011		A	39 (2)	<u>(2)</u>	(2)	Common Stock	39
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(4)</u>					<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	1,040
Restricted Stock Units	(5)					<u>(5)</u>	(5)	Common Stock	1,040
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(6)</u>					<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	1,040
Employee	\$ 54.28					09/01/2008(7)	09/01/2018	3 Common	6,250

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Stock Stock

Option (Right to

Buy)

Employee Stock

Option \$ 51.48

09/10/2007<sup>(8)</sup> 09/10/2017

Common Stock 6,250

(Right to Buy)

Employee

Stock Option \$ 51.38

09/11/2006(9) 09/11/2016 Common Stock

Stock 5,000

(Right to Buy)

# **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 10/07/2011

\*\*Signature of Person Date

Reporting Person

### **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) Shares acquired under terms of the ProAssurance Corporation 2011 Employee Stock Ownership Plan
  - 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
- 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.
- (3) 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.
- (4) 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 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

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federal, state, and local taxes.

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, 2012 (three years from date of grant). Vesting will accelerate upon termination 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.

Each Restricted Stock Unit (RSU) represents a contingent right to receive one share of ProAssurance Corporation common stock, issuable from the 2008 Equity Incentive Plan. The RSUs will vest if the reporting person remains continuously employed by ProAssurance or one of its subsidiaries until February 26, 2012 (three years from date of grant). Vesting will accelerate upon termination of employment as the

- (6) 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.
- (7) The options vest in five equal, yearly installments commencing on September 1, 2008
- (8) The options vest in five equal, yearly installments commencing on September 10, 2007
- (9) The options vest in five equal, yearly installments commencing on September 11, 2006

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