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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading DICHIARO STEVEN JOHN Issuer Symbol TORCHMARK CORP [TMK] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title __X_ Other (specify LIBERTY NATIONAL LIFE 02/24/2016 below) below) **INSURANCE COMPANY, 3700** Exec. Officer of Principal Sub SOUTH STONEBRIDGE DRIVE (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting MCKINNEY, TX 75070 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securities on Acquired (A) or	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership	7. Nature of Indirect		
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Disposed of (D)	Beneficially	Form:	Beneficial		
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Owned	Direct (D)	Ownership		
			Code V	(A) or Amount (D) Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock					6,456	D			
Common Stock					1,595 <u>(1)</u>	I	Thrift/401(k) Plan Trust		

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 50.64	02/24/2016		A	30,000	(2)	02/24/2023	Common Stock	30,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DICHIARO STEVEN JOHN LIBERTY NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY 3700 SOUTH STONEBRIDGE DRIVE MCKINNEY, TX 75070

Exec. Officer of Principal

Sub

Signatures

Steven J. DiChiaro, By:/s/Carol A. McCoy, Attorney-in-fact

02/26/2016

**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) Shares in unitized fund in Torchmark 401(k) employee benefit plan estimated conversion of \$ balance to shares using \$50.64 per share.
- (2) First exercisable as to 50% of shares 2-24-18 and as to remaining 50% of shares 2-24-19.

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