

KING CAROLYN  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**KING CAROLYN**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**PROTECTIVE LIFE CORP [PL]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**2801 HIGHWAY 280 SOUTH**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**02/22/2005**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
**SR. VP**

(Street)

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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**BIRMINGHAM, AL 35223**

(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			
Common Stock	02/22/2005		M	17,168 A \$ 22.31	17,168	D	
Common Stock	02/22/2005		D	9,493 D \$ 40.35	7,675	D	
Common Stock	02/22/2005		F	2,539 D \$ 40.35	5,136	D	
Common Stock					2,570.9406	I	By 401(k) <u>(1)</u>
Common Stock					20,837.1713	I	Deferred Compensation <u>(2)</u>

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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)	8. Price or Amount of Shares
SAR 6	\$ 22.31	02/22/2005		M	17,168	07/21/2004 03/06/2010	SAR	17,168
SAR 4 <u>(3)</u>	\$ 32					03/04/2007 03/04/2012	SAR	15,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
KING CAROLYN 2801 HIGHWAY 280 SOUTH BIRMINGHAM, AL 35223			SR. VP	

## Signatures

By: Nancy Kane  
Attorney-in-Fact 02/24/2005

\*\*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) Total shares held by reporting person in PLC's 401(k) & Stock Ownership Plan as of 12/31/04.
- (2) Shares acquired through PLC Deferred Compensation Plan for Officers of the Corporation (exempt under Rule 16b-3).
- (3) Previously reported Stock Appreciation Right (SAR).

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