THIGPEN CARL S Form 4

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FORM 4

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

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may continue. See Instruction STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * THIGPEN CARL S

(First) (Middle) (Last)

(Street)

2801 HIGHWAY 280 SOUTH

BIRMINGHAM, AL 35223

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

PROTECTIVE LIFE CORP [PL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/29/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

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6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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Person

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Ownership Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially Form: Ownership (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Direct (D) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 4) Following or Indirect Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Common 8,877.2548 $\mathbf{D}^{(1)}$ Stock

Common Ι By $401(k)^{(2)}$ 8,172.1212 Stock

Deferred Common 5,750.13 I Compensation Stock (3)

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)	Code	5. Number on Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exerci e Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	te	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pric Deriva Securi (Instr.
				Code V	(A) (D	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
SAR14 (4)	\$ 38.59	02/29/2008		A	3,325	02/28/2009	02/28/2018	SAR	3,325	\$ (
SAR14a (4)	\$ 38.59	02/29/2008		A	3,325	02/28/2010	02/28/2018	SAR	3,325	\$ (
SAR14b	\$ 38.59	02/29/2008		A	3,325	02/28/2011	02/28/2018	SAR	3,325	\$ (
SAR14c (4)	\$ 38.59	02/29/2008		A	3,325	02/29/2012	02/28/2018	SAR	3,325	\$ (
SAR 10 (5)	\$ 41.05					03/04/2010	03/04/2015	SAR	35,000	
SAR 11 (5)	\$ 43.46					03/05/2008	03/05/2017	SAR	1,850	
SAR 11a	\$ 43.46					03/05/2009	03/05/2017	SAR	1,850	
SAR 11b (5)	\$ 43.46					03/05/2010	03/05/2017	SAR	1,850	
SAR 11c (5)	\$ 43.46					03/05/2011	03/05/2017	SAR	1,850	
SAR 4	\$ 32					03/04/2007	03/04/2012	SAR	15,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Keiationsnips					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
THIGPEN CARL S			EVP and CIO			
2801 HIGHWAY 280 SOUTH						

Reporting Owners 2 BIRMINGHAM, AL 35223

Signatures

By: by Harriette Hyche Attorney-in-Fact for

03/04/2008

**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) 2000 Restricted Stock Units reported previously. Includes dividend shares acquired under the Long-Term Incentive Plan (exempt under Rule 16b-3).
- (2) Total shares held by reporting person in PLC's 401(k) & Stock Ownership Plan as of 2/29/08.
- (3) Shares acquired through PLC Def. Comp. Plan for Officers of the Corporation (exempt under Rule 16b-3). Total amount in Col. 5 includes dividend shares acquired under the PLC Def. Comp. Plan for Officers exempt under Rule 16-a 11.
- (4) Stock Appreciation Right awarded under the Protective Life Corporation Long-Term Incentive Plan in transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3 becoming exercisable in equal installments over four years beginning 2/28/09.
- (5) Previously reported Stock Appreciation Right (SAR).

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