

PROASSURANCE CORP  
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**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 \*  
**CROWE A DERRILL MD**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

**BIRMINGHAM, AL 35209-6811**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**PROASSURANCE CORP [PRA]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**08/08/2006**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**Chairman / Chief Executive Officer**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	08/08/2006		S <sup>(1)</sup>	9,000 D \$ 50.24	343,723	D	
Common Stock					20	I	Spouse as custodian for minor child
Common Stock					499,044	I	IRA-Sterne Agee & Leach
Common Stock					78,866	I	IRA-Morgan Stanley
					11,742 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	

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Common Stock						ProAssurance Group Savings and Retirement Plan [401(k)]
Common Stock				1,285	I	Spouse
Common Stock				1,162,791	I	Crowe Family Partners, Ltd.
Common Stock				51,468	I <sup>(3)</sup>	Trusts for the benefit of the reporting person's minor children

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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 51.38					09/11/2006 <sup>(4)</sup> 09/11/2016	Common Stock	25,000	
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 41.15					09/10/2005 <sup>(5)</sup> 09/10/2015	Common Stock	50,000	

Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 33.28	09/10/2004 <sup>(6)</sup>	09/10/2014	Common Stock	10,000
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 22	09/04/2003 <sup>(7)</sup>	03/04/2013	Common Stock	10,000
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.8	07/15/2002 <sup>(8)</sup>	01/15/2012	Common Stock	20,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CROWE A DERRILL MD C/O PROASSURANCE CORPORATION 100 BROOKWOOD PLACE BIRMINGHAM, AL 35209-6811	X		Chairman	Chief Executive Officer

## Signatures

Frank B. O'Neil as P.O.A. For A. Derrill  
Crowe

08/09/2006

\*\*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) Common stock sold pursuant to a 10b(5)-1 trading plan entered into April 13, 2006.
- (2) These shares were allocated prior to August 29, 2002 and were exempt under Rule 16b-3
- (3) Shares given to Trusts FBO the reporting person's minor children
- (4) The options vest in five equal, yearly installments commencing on September 11, 2006
- (5) The options vest in five equal, yearly installments commencing on September 10, 2005
- (6) The options vest in five equal, yearly installments commencing on September 10, 2004
- (7) The options vest in five equal, yearly installments commencing on September 4, 2003
- (8) The options vest in five equal, yearly installments commencing on July 15, 2002

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