Instruction 1(b)

## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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											Company A	50 154								
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  KING DAVID P							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA									5. Relationship of Reporting (Check all applicable)  X Director				
						HOLDINGS [ LH ]									Officer (give title		10% Owner Other (spec			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 531 SOUTH SPRING STREET						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/23/2018									X Officer (give title Officer (spee below)  President & CEO				респу	
(Street)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
BURLINGTON NC 27215														X		led by One	-			
(City)	) (State) (Zip)																Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
		Та	ble I -	Non-Der	ivativ	ve Se	curiti	es A	cquir	ed, I	Disposed	of, or	Bene	ficially	Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Ye					Execu if any	Deemed cution Date, y nth/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or D Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Disposed	Securitie Beneficia Owned F	es ally Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	ect     irect     1)   (	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 04/23/20					018	3			<b>M</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		49,967	A	\$8	34.86	271,63	36.3298	D			
Common Stock 04/				04/23/2	04/23/2018				S <sup>(1)</sup>		28,767	D	\$16	5.944(2)	242,86	59.3298	D			
Common Stock 04/23/2				04/23/2	018	В			S <sup>(1)</sup>		21,200	D	\$166	.3672(3	221,66	59.3298	D			
Common Stock														27,	27,811		1	By grantor retained annuity trust		
Common Stock														47,	47,357		1	By grantor retained annuity trust		
			Table	e II - Deriv (e.g.,	ative,	Secu , calls	urities s, wa	s Ac rran	quire ts, op	d, Di	isposed o s, conver	f, or B	enefic ecurit	cially (	Owned		,			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	rcise (Month/Day/Year) of tive				action (Instr.	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Expii (Mon	ration	orcisable and Date //Year)	7. Title and A of Securities Underlying Derivative Se (Instr. 3 and 4		curity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	e Ow s For lly Dire or I	nership m: ect (D) ndirect Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownershij (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A) (	(D)	Date Exercisal		Expiration Date	n Title	O N O	umber						
Non- qualified	\$84.86	04/23/2018			M			19 967	, 05/24	1/2013	(5) 05/23/202	Com	mon 4	9.967	\$0	49,96	6	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

Stock

Options<sup>(4)</sup>

- 1. Pursuant to a plan in accordance with Rule 10b5-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- 2. The price of \$165.9440 per share represents a weighted average of sales prices ranging from \$165.23 to \$166.225 per share. The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request by the Commission staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares purchased or sold at each separate price.
- 3. The price of \$166.3672 per share represents a weighted average of sales prices ranging from \$166.23 to \$166.67 per share. The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request by the Commission staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares purchased or sold at each separate price.
- 4. Employee stock option (right to buy) granted pursuant to the Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings 2016 Omnibus Incentive Plan.
- 5. The option vested in three equal annual installments beginning on 05/24/2013 and is now fully exercisable.

/s/ F. Samuel Eberts III, 04/25/2018 Attorney-in-Fact for David P.

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Stock

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- \* 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).

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