## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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<b>STATEMENT</b>	<b>OF CHANGES</b>	IN BENEFICIAL	<b>OWNERSHIP</b>

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* POWELL BOONE JR						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ ABT ]								(Che	elationship eck all app CDirec	,				
(Last)	(Fi	rst) (	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/30/2003								Office below	er (give title /)		Other (specify below)			
(Street)	<b>(</b> )					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line	ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable e)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting				on	
(City)	(St	ate) (	(Zip)												Perso			СТСР	nung	
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
Date				2. Transa Date (Month/D		Execution Date,		Code (Inst			4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)			5. Amo Securit Benefic Owned Report	ies cially Following	6. Owner Form: Di (D) or Inc (I) (Instr.	ect irect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
										Code	v	Amount	(A (D	) or )	Price	Transa (Instr. 3	ction(s)			(11150.4)
	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)	vative Conversion Date Execution Date, urity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			ransaction of ode (Instr. Derivative			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		S (I	. Price of lerivative lecurity lnstr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Own Forn Dire or In (I) (II	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
					Code	v			Date Exe	e ercisable		piration ite	Title	Amo or Num of Shar	ber					
Stock equivalent units	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>	09/30/2003			A		293			(1)		(1)	commor shares	29	)3	\$42.55	11,646 <sup>(2)</sup>		D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Director fees deferred and credited to a stock equivalent unit account under a grantor trust established by the director and paid, in cash, generally at age 65 or upon retirement from the board. The stock equivalent units earn the same return as if the fees were invested in Abbott stock.
- 2. Balance includes stock equivalent units acquired pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature.

John A. Berry, Attorney-in-Fact for Boone Powell, Jr.

10/01/2003

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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).
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