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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Common

Stock

05/16/2006

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * STEINER ARNOLD L			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol OLD REPUBLIC INTERNATIONAL CORP [ORI]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (M	liddle)	3. Date of (Month/Da	Earliest Transaction						6 Owner er (specify	
307 N MICHIGAN AVE, STE 2300			05/16/2006					below)			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
CHICAGO,						Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	Table	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									
1.Title of Security	ty (Month/Day/Year) Executive						ar.	5. Amount of Securities	7. Nature of Indirect		
(Instr. 3)			on Date, ii	Code	Disposed of (D)			Beneficially	Form: Direct (D) or	Beneficial	
		(Month	/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Owned Following	Ownership (Instr. 4)		
						(A) or		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(Insur 1)	
C				Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Ilisti. 3 aliu 4)			
Common Stock	05/16/2006			J <u>(1)</u>	0	A	\$0	270,237	D		
Common Stock	05/16/2006			J <u>(2)</u>	0	A	\$ 0	465,000	I	Footnote (3)	
Common Stock	05/16/2006			J	0	A	\$0	0	I	Footnote (4)	

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	isable and	7. Tit	le and	8. Price of	9.
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onNumber	Expiration Da	ate	Amou	ınt of	Derivative	De
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/Year)		Unde	erlying	Security	Se
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Derivative Securities		e	Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)	В	
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	Security		Acquired							Fo	
					(A) or						Re
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					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
									or		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Number		
									of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		
				Code v	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

STEINER ARNOLD L 307 N MICHIGAN AVE **STE 2300** CHICAGO, IL 60601

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Signatures

Arnold Steiner 05/16/2006 **Signature of Date Reporting Person

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) No transactions to report related to this direct ownership of 270,237 shares.
- (2) No transactions to report related to this indirect ownership of 465,000 shares.
- (3) As co-trustee of a trust for the benefit of Mr. Steiner's children.
- (4) To discontinue the reporting of shares held by his former spouse.
- (5) To discontinue the reporting of shares held by his former spouse for the benefit of his children.

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