

NATIONAL HEALTHCARE CORP  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 COGGIN D GERALD

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 NATIONAL HEALTHCARE CORP [NHC]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 1942 DILTON-MANKIN ROAD  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 11/07/2007

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Sr. V.P., Corp Relations

MURFREESBORO, TN 37127  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|  |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Code V Amount (D) Price   |  |                                   |
| Shares of Common Stock in my name and my spouse's name |                                      |  |                                |   | 313,030   | D  |                                   |
| Shares of Common Stock                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | 7,136   | I  | Family Partnership                |
| Shares of Common Stock                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | 104   | I  | Family Partnership                |

Shares of  
Series A  
Convertible 11/07/2007 J 273,181 A \$ 273,181 D  
Preferred  
Stock 15.75

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. F... Der... Sec... (Ins... |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                         | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Employee Stock Option - "Right to Buy"     | \$ 20.9  |                                      |  |                                |   | 12/20/2006   | 03/23/2009  | Common Stock                  | 39,000                     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                       | Relationships |           |                                |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                        | Other |
| COGGIN D GERALD<br>1942 DILTON-MANKIN ROAD<br>MURFREESBORO, TN 37127 |               |           | Sr. V.P.,<br>Corp<br>Relations |       |

## Signatures

D. Gerald Coggin 11/09/2007

\*\*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).

### Remarks:

J - Received new Preferred Stock resulting from the merger of National Health Realty into the Company.

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