FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] RONALD C ELKINS				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CRYOLIFE INC</u> [CRY]							tionship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer all applicable) Director 10% Owner				
(Last)	st) (First) (Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/16/2012							Officer (give title below)		(specify		
CRYOLIFE, INC. 1655 ROBERTS BOULEVARD, N.W.				4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						6. Indi Line)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
(Street) KENNESAW	GA	30144									Form filed by Mor Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)													
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned															
Date			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Y	Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Disposed Of and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
						Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock			05/16/201	12		Α		10,000(1)	A	\$ <mark>0</mark>	88,250	D			

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

L		(e.g., puis, cans, warrants, options, convertible securities)														
	1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents shares of restricted stock that vest on the first anniversary of the grant date if the reporting person remains a member of the Company's board of directors, subject to earlier vesting upon certain events including death, disability and retirement from the board after serving out his full term because the director is not standing for re-election at the end of the term.

Remarks:

/s/ D.A. Lee, Attorney-in-Fact 05/18/2012

** 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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