

ALLSTATE CORP  
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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 \*  
MCCABE MICHAEL J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

THE ALLSTATE CORPORATION, 2775 SANDERS ROAD

(Street)

NORTHBROOK, IL 60062-6127

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ALLSTATE CORP [ALL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
12/20/2004

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
V.P. and General Counsel

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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)		
				Code	V	Amount				(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	12/20/2004		M			23,288	A	\$ 26.69	67,979	D	
Common Stock	12/20/2004		M			23,000	A	\$ 22.63	90,979	D	
Common Stock	12/20/2004		F			3,218 (1)	D	\$ 50.295	87,761	D	
Common Stock	12/20/2004		F			12,358 (2)	D	\$ 50.295	75,403	D	
Common Stock	12/20/2004		S			26,753	D	\$ 50.3219	48,650	D	

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Common Stock	12/20/2004	F	<u>3,725</u> (1)	D	\$ 50.295	44,925	D	
Common Stock						500	I	by Son
Common Stock						2,255.325	(3) I	by 401(k) Plan

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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 22.63	12/20/2004		M	23,000	08/15/1997 08/15/2006	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 26.69	12/20/2004		M	23,288	05/18/2001 05/18/2010	Common Stock
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 50.295	12/20/2004		A	12,358	12/20/2005(4) 05/18/2010	Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

MCCABE MICHAEL J  
THE ALLSTATE CORPORATION  
2775 SANDERS ROAD  
NORTHBROOK, IL 60062-6127

V.P. and  
General  
Counsel

## Signatures

MICHAEL J MC  
CABE 12/22/2004

\_\_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).
- (1) Delivery of shares to issuer to pay minimum tax withholding liability incurred in connection with the exercise.
- (2) Delivery of already-owned stock to issuer in payment of option exercise price.
- (3) Reflects acquisition of 34.835 shares of The Allstate Corporation common stock since May 12, 2004 under The Savings and Profit Sharing Fund of Allstate Employees, a 401(k) plan, pursuant to the most recent plan statement, dated December 21, 2004.
- (4) The option vests in four equal increments, December 20, 2005, December 20, 2006, December 20, 2007 and December 20, 2008.

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