

CONSECO INC

Reported by
ADAMAS JAMES S

FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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Industry	Insurance (Life)
Sector	Financial
Fiscal Year	12/31

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP
() Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16.
Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instructions 1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person Adams, James S.

11825 N. Pennsylvania Street
Carmel, IN 46032
U.S.A.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Conseco, Inc. (CNC)

3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)

4. Statement for Month/Year August 1997

5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)

6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) () Director () 10% Owner (X) Officer (give title below) () Other (specify below) Senior Vice President, Chief Accounting Officer and Treasurer

7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) (X) 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	2. Transaction Date	3. Code	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	6. Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Amount	A/D	Price			
Common Stock	8/21/97	P	25,000	A	\$40.52			
Common Stock	8/22/97	P	11,875	A	\$40.03			
Common Stock	8/25/97	P	7,625	A	\$41.17			
Common Stock	8/26/97	P	6,875	A	\$41.97			
Common Stock	8/27/97	P	6,250	A	\$42.28			
Common Stock	8/28/97	P	3,750	A	\$42.09			
Common Stock	8/29/97	P	5,250	A	\$42.25	176,413	D	
Preferred Redeemable Increased Dividend Equity Securities, 7% PRIDES,								
Convertible Preferred Stock						1,000	I By Estate	

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

1. Title of Derivative | 2. Con- | 3. | 4. | 5. Number of De | 6. Date Exer | 7. Title and Amount | 8. Price | 9. Number | 10. | 11. Nature of

Security	Version or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Transaction Date	Code	Derivative Securities Acquired(A) or Disposed of(D)	Amount	A/ D	Expiration Date	Expiration Date	of Underlying Securities Title and Number of Shares	of Derivative Securities	of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month	Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	Beneficial Ownership or Interest

**Explanation of Responses:
SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON**

/s/ James S. Adams by Karl W. Kindig, Attorney-in-Fact

DATE

September 2, 1997

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