FORM 3

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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MATSON, TIMOTHY T	2. Date of Event Requiring Stater Month/Day/Yea 01/01/2017	ment	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol REINSURANCE GROUP OF AMERICA INC [ RGA ]					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 16600 SWINGLEY RIDGE ROAD	71,01,201,		Relationship of Reporting Perso Check all applicable)     Director	on(s) to Issue 10% Owne	(Mor	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		
	_		X Officer (give title below)	Other (spec		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)		
(Street) CHESTERFIELD MO 63017			EVP, Chief Investme	,	X	Form filed b	y One Reporting Person y More than One erson	
(City) (State) (Zip)								
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned								
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			Amount of Securities eneficially Owned (Instr. 4)			4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
Common Stock			611	D				
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)								
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		
Stock Appreciation Right (right to purchase) 2016	12/31/2016	03/04/2026	Common Stock	4,749	93.53	D		
Stock Appreciation Rght (right to purchase)	12/31/2015	03/06/2025	Common Stock	3,838	90.06	D		

Explanation of Responses:

## Remarks:

Exhibit List - Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney for Timothy Matson

/s/ William L. Hutton,

Attorney-in-Fact for Timothy 01/09/2017

Matson

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (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).

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## POWER OF ATTORNEY

The undersigned, as a director of Reinsurance Group of America, Incorporated hereby constitutes and appoints John Hayden, Todd C. Larson and William L. Hutton, and each of them singly, with full power to sign for me, and in my name and in the capacity stated below, an application for an Edgar SEC Form ID, Forms 3, 4 and 5 and any other forms concerning beneficial ownership of equity securities in Reinsurance Group of America, Incorporated required under Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

I hereby grant to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as I might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocations, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until I am no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to my holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by me in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 15th day of December, 2016.

/s/ Timothy T. Matson

Timothy T. Matson