

Miller Joan Elizabeth  
Form 4  
March 11, 2010

**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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See Instruction  
1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Miller Joan Elizabeth

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC  
[DGX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O QUEST DIAGNOSTICS  
INCORPORATED, 3 GIRALDA  
FARMS

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/09/2010

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)  
SVP-Pathology & Hosp. Services

(Street)

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

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

MADISON, NJ 07940

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D)	Price	
Common Stock	03/09/2010		A		13,328 (1)	\$ 0	83,095 D
Common Stock	03/09/2010		F		4,845 (2)	\$ 55.765	78,250 (3) D
Common Stock							4,526 I 401(k)/SDCP (4)

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 10)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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C/O QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INCORPORATED  
3 GIRALDA FARMS  
MADISON, NJ 07940

SVP-Pathology & Hosp. Services

## Signatures

/s/ William J. O'Shaughnessy, Jr., Attorney in Fact for Joan Elizabeth  
Miller

03/11/2010

\_\_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) Stock issued by Quest Diagnostics Incorporated in settlement of a performance share award dated February 12, 2007, approved in accordance with the requirements of Rule 16b-3(d).
- (2) Disposition of common stock to the issuer solely to cover the tax withholding obligations arising from the settlement of said performance share award.
- (3) The amount includes exempt purchases made under the Company's stock purchase plan since the date of the last filing on Form 4.
- These underlying shares were acquired on a periodic basis by the trustees of the Company's Profit Sharing (401(k)) and Supplemental Deferred Compensation Plans. The information was obtained from the plan administrators as of a recent date. The number of shares is based on the account balance of the Company's stock fund under the Plans (which include some money market instruments), divided by the market price of the Company's stock as of that date.
- (4)

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