#### **BEST ROBERT O**

Form 4

April 17, 2003

SEC Form 4

FORM 4		UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION						OMB APPROVAL			
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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Best, Robert O.		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol UnumProvident Corporation UNM					6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last) (First) (Middle)  1 Fountain Square		3. I.R.S Num Pers	S. Identification aber of Reporting on, if an entity untary)	4. Statement for Month/Day/Year  April 15, 2003		Director 10% Owner  X Officer Other  Senior Vice President and CIO  7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street) Chattanooga, TN 374 (City) (State (Zip) USA			5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)			<ul> <li>Form filed by One Reporting Person</li> <li>Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</li> </ul>					
Table I - Non-Derivat							I	T	I		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction I (Month/Day/			3. Transaction Code (A) or Disposed (D (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (Instr. 8)		Of	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)  (Instr. 3 and 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code   V	Amount   A/D   Pric	e	(mstr. 5 that 1)				
Common Stock 0	04/15/2003			<b>A</b> l	19962.00(1)     \$10.52	A	70188.00 (2	<b>D</b>			
Common Stock (401(k))							3568.4	5 I	By 401(k) Plan		

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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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Exercise	Transaction	(Month/	Transaction Code and Voluntary (V) Code (Instr.8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired	Exercisable(DE) and Expiration Date(ED) (Month/Day/Year)	Amount of Underlying Securities	of	Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions (Instr.4)	Owner- ship Form of Deriv- ative Security:	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr.4)

Explanation of Responses:

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.

See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

/s/ Robert O. Best

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person
Date

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# FOOTNOTE Descriptions for UnumProvident Corporation UNM

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Robert O. Best 1 Fountain Square

Chattanooga, TN 37402-307

Explanation of responses:

- (1) Grant of restricted stock which vests on April 15, 2006.
- (2) Includes 19,962 shares of restricted stock, 4,388 shares in the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan and 193 shares in the Company's Dividend Reinvestment Plan.

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