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

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| Report for | r the Calendar Year or Quarter Ended: DECEMBER 31, 2008 | | | | | | | | |
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| | e if Amendment _ ; Amendment Number: endment (Check only one.): | | | | | | | | |
| Institutional Investment Manager Filing this Report: | | | | | | | | | |
| | ALLSTATE LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY 3075 SANDERS ROAD, SUITE G4A NORTHBROOK, IL. 60062-7127 | | | | | | | | |

Form 13F File Number: 28-01037

The institutional manager filing this report and the person by whom it is signed hereby represent that the person signing the report is authorized to submit it, that all information contained herein is true, correct and complete, and that it is understood that all required items, statements, schedules, lists, and tables, are considered integral parts of this form.

Person Signing this Report on Behalf of Reporting Manager:

Name: PAUL SCHUTT

Title: ASSISTANT VICE PRESIDENT INVESTMENT OPERATIONS

Phone: 847-402-5169

Signature, Place, and Date of Signing:

| /s/ PAUL SCHUTT | NORTHBROOK, IL. | 02/11/09 |
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| | | |
| [Signature] | [City, State] | [Date] |

Report Type (Check only one.):

- |X| 13F HOLDINGS REPORT. (Check here if all holdings of this reporting manager are reported in this report.)
- _| 13F NOTICE. (Check here if no holdings reported are in this report, and all holdings are reported by other reporting manager(s).).)
- 13F COMBINATION REPORT. (Check here if a portion of the holdings for this reporting manager are reported in this report and a portion are reported by other reporting manager(s).)

List of Other Managers Reporting for this Manager:

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Report Summary:

Number of Other Included Managers: ONE

Form 13F Information Table Value Total: 224,779 (THOUSAND)

List of Other Included Managers:

Form 13F Information Table Entry Total:

Provide a numbered list of the name(s) and Form 13F file number(s) of all institutional investment managers with respect to which this report is filed, other than the manager filing this report.

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No. Form 13F File Number Name

1 028-10298 ALLSTATE INVESTMENTS LLC

FORM 13F REPORT

NAME OF REPORTING MANAGER: ALLSTATE LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY

| NAME OF ISSUER | TITLE OF CLASS | CUSIP | VALUE (x1000) | PRN AMT | SH/ PUT/ PRN CALL | | OTHER MANAGERS | VOTING AUTHORITY SOLE SHARED NON | ĮΕ |
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| DOMINION RESOURCES, INC. | COMMON | 25746U109 | 1,102 | 30,745 | | DEFINED | | X | |
| 3M COMPANY 0% 11/21/2032 | DEBT | 88579YAB7 | 7,463 | 10,223,000 | PRN | DEFINED | | X | |
| ALLERGAN INC 1.500000% 04/01/2026 | DEBT | 018490AL6 | 5,507 | 5,500,000 | PRN | DEFINED | 1 | X | |
| ALZA CORP 0% 07/28/2020 | DEBT | 02261WAB5 | 9,148 | 10,250,000 | PRN | DEFINED | 1 | X | |
| AMDOCS LIMITED .500000% 03/15/2024 | DEBT | 02342TAD1 | 9,134 | 9,250,000 | PRN | DEFINED | 1 | X | |
| AMGEN INC .375000% 02/01/2013 | DEBT | 031162AQ3 | 8,086 | 8,500,000 | | DEFINED | | X | |
| ARCHER DANIELS .875000% 02/15/2014 | DEBT | 039483AW2 | 975 | 1,000,000 | | DEFINED | | X | |
| AVNET INC 2.000000% 03/15/2034 | DEBT | 053807AL7 | | 11,500,000 | | DEFINED | 1 | X | |
| BECKMAN COULTER INC 2.500000% | DEDI | 053607AL7 | 11,313 | 11,500,000 | PKN | DELINED | 1 | ^ | |
| 12/15/2036 | DEBT | 075811AD1 | 936 | 1,000,000 | PRN | DEFINED | 1 | X | |
| BEST BUY 2.250000% 01/15/2022 | DEBT | 086516AF8 | 9,818 | 11,000,000 | PRN | DEFINED | 1 | Χ | |
| CAMERON INTL CORP 2.500000% | | | -, | , , | | | | | |
| 06/15/2026 | DEBT | 13342BAB1 | 8,493 | 8,600,000 | PRN | DEFINED | 1 | X | |
| CARNIVAL CORP 2.000000% | DEDI | 100420701 | 0,433 | 0,000,000 | 1 1014 | DEI TINED | _ | X | |
| | DEBT | 1426504112 | 0 122 | 0 000 000 | DDN | DEETNED | 1 | V | |
| 04/15/2021 | DEDI | 143658AN2 | 8,123 | 9,000,000 | PRN | DEFINED | 1 | Х | |
| CHESAPEAKE ENERGY CORP 2.250000% | | | | | | | | | |
| 12/15/2038 | DEBT | 165167CB1 | 673 | 1,500,000 | PRN | DEFINED | 1 | X | |
| CMS ENERGY CORP 2.875000% | | | | | | | | | |
| 12/01/2024 | DEBT | 125896AW0 | 1,299 | 1,500,000 | PRN | DEFINED | 1 | X | |
| COSTCO WHOLESALE CORP 0% | | | | | | | | | |
| 08/19/2017 | DEBT | 22160QAC6 | 381 | 320,000 | PRN | DEFINED | 1 | X | |
| DANAHER CORP 0% 01/22/2021 | DEBT | 235851AF9 | 9,258 | 10,550,000 | | DEFINED | | X | |
| EMC CORP 1.750000% 12/01/2013 | DEBT | 268648AM4 | 1,730 | 1,850,000 | | DEFINED | 1 | X | |
| | DEDT | 200040AN4 | 1,730 | 1,030,000 | FIXIN | DEI TINED | | X | |
| FISHER SCIENTIFIC INTL 3.250000% | DEDT | 0000004440 | 0.000 | 0 050 000 | DDM | DEETNED | 4 | V | |
| 03/01/2024 | DEBT | 338032AX3 | 9,362 | 8,350,000 | | DEFINED | 1 | X | |
| FLUOR CORP 1.500000% 02/15/2024 | DEBT | 343412AA0 | 285 | 175,000 | PRN | DEFINED | 1 | X | |
| HCC INSURANCE HOLDINGS 1.300000% | | | | | | | | | |
| 04/01/2023 | DEBT | 404132AB8 | 11,802 | 9,825,000 | PRN | DEFINED | 1 | X | |
| HOLOGIC INC 2.000000% 12/15/2037 | DEBT | 436440AA9 | 581 | 1,000,000 | PRN | DEFINED | 1 | X | |
| INTEL CORP 2.950000% 12/15/2035 | DEBT | 458140AD2 | 5,284 | 6,100,000 | PRN | DEFINED | 1 | X | |
| INTL GAME TECHNOLOGY 2.600000% | | | , | , , | | | | | |
| 12/15/2036 | DEBT | 459902AP7 | 16,774 | 17,750,000 | PRN | DEFINED | 1 | X | |
| LABORATORY CORP AMERICA HOLDINGS | DEBT | 50540RAG7 | 11,125 | 12,500,000 | | DEFINED | 1 | X | |
| LIBERTY MEDIA CORP 3.250000% | DEDI | 3034010407 | 11,120 | 12,300,000 | 1 1014 | DEI TINED | _ | X | |
| | DEDT | E2071EAD2 | 215 | 1 000 000 | DDN | DEETNED | 4 | V | |
| 03/15/2031 | DEBT | 530715AR2 | 315 | 1,000,000 | PRN | DEFINED | 1 | X | |
| LIBERTY MEDIA LLC 3.12500% | | | | | | | | | |
| 03/30/2023 | DEBT | 530718AF2 | 1,076 | 1,500,000 | | DEFINED | 1 | X | |
| MEDTRONIC INC 1.625000% 04/15/2013 | DEBT | 585055AM8 | 7,501 | 8,500,000 | PRN | DEFINED | 1 | X | |
| MYLAN LABORATORIES INC 1.250000% | | | | | | | | | |
| 03/15/2012 | DEBT | 628530AG2 | 735 | 1,000,000 | PRN | DEFINED | 1 | X | |
| NABORS INDUSTRIES INC .940000% | | | | | | | | | |
| 05/15/2011 | DEBT | 629568AP1 | 7,414 | 9,000,000 | PRN | DEFINED | 1 | X | |
| OMNICOM GROUP | DEBT | 681919AK2 | 4,444 | 4,500,000 | | DEFINED | | X | |
| OMNICOM GROUP INC 0% 07/01/2038 | DEBT | 681919AT3 | 8,586 | 9,500,000 | | DEFINED | | X | |
| | DEDT | 001919A13 | 0,300 | 3,300,000 | FIXIV | DEI TNED | _ | * | |
| RAYONIER TRS HOLDINGS IN | DEDT | 755004400 | 0 570 | 4 000 000 | DDM | DEETNED | 4 | V | |
| 3.750000% 10/15/2012 | DEBT | 75508AAB2 | 3,570 | 4,000,000 | PRN | DEFINED | 1 | X | |
| SCHLUMBERGER LIMITED 2.125000% | | | | | | | | | |
| 06/01/2023 | DEBT | 806857AD0 | 249 | 200,000 | PRN | DEFINED | 1 | X | |
| TEVA PHARMACEUT FIN BV 1.750000% | | | | | | | | | |
| 02/01/2026 | DEBT | 88165FAA0 | 8,131 | 7,400,000 | PRN | DEFINED | 1 | Χ | |
| TEVA PHARMACEUT FIN LLC .250000% | | | | | | | | | |
| 02/01/2024 | DEBT | 88164RAB3 | 3,324 | 2,700,000 | PRN | DEFINED | 1 | X | |
| TJX COMPANIES INC 0% 02/13/2021 | DEBT | 872540AL3 | 7,651 | 10,150,000 | | DEFINED | | X | |
| US BANCORP 1.231250% 12/11/2035 | DEBT | 902973AM8 | 8,669 | 9,500,000 | | DEFINED | | X | |
| | DEBT | 983024AD2 | 14,464 | | | DEFINED | | | |
| WYETH 2.390000% 01/15/2024 | DEDI | 3030Z4ADZ | 14,404 | 14,600,000 | PRN | DELINED | 1 | X | |
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| "STOCK" | | 1 | 1,102 | 30,745 | | | | | |
| DEBT | | 37 | 223,677 | | | | | | |
| REPORT TOTALS | | 38 | 224,779 | 240,823,745 | | | | | |
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