DUFFY MARGARET

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **DUFFY MARGARET**

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

NEW IRELAND FUND INC [irl] (Middle)

(Check all applicable)

164 EAST 72 STREET

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/05/2009

_X__ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title _ Other (specify

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

NEW YORK, NY 10021

| (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. 4. Securities Acc Transaction(A) or Disposed Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5 | | d of | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| | | | Code V | Amount | or (D) | Price | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | |
| new ireland fund | 01/05/2009 | | P | 1,300 | A | \$ 5.35 | 1,300 | D | | |
| new ireland fund | 01/05/2009 | | P | 700 | A | \$ 5.3 | 2,000 | D | | |

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 | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4. Transacti | 5. orNumber | 6. Date Exerc Expiration D | | 7. Title Amount | | 8. Price of Derivative | 9. Nu Deriv |
|------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|--|------------------------|---|
| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Tear) | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | of | (Month/Day/ | | Underly Securiti (Instr. 3 | ying ies | Security (Instr. 5) | Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title N | Amount or Number of Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| F | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| DUFFY MARGARET | | | | | | | |
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Signatures

margaret duffy 01/08/2009

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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