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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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NICCEN DAVID D		Stat	ate of Event Reement (Month/l	_ ' " .	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GENWORTH FINANCIAL INC [GNW]							
(Last) C/O GENWOR 6620 WEST BE (Street) RICHMOND (City)	(First) TH FINANCIAL ROAD STREET VA (State)	(Middle)				ionship of Reporting Person(s all applicable) Director Officer (give title below)) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (spec below)	ify (M	onth/Day/Year) ndividual or Joint/ plicable Line) X Form filed b	te of Original Filed Group Filing (Check y One Reporting Person y More than One Reporting		
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned												
								4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)				
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)												
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) 2. Date Exercisable a Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			ate	Derivative Security (Instr. 4) Conversor Exer		Conversior or Exercise	cise (D) or	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)				
		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title		Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)				

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

As of the time of the event requiring this statement, the Reporting Person beneficially owned no equity securities of the Issuer.

No securities are beneficially owned.

/s/ Richard J. Oelhafen, Jr., Attorney-in-fact 05/24/2004

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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May 4, 2004

Securities and Exchange Commission 450 5th Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20549

Re: Authorization to Sign Rule 16 Forms

To whom it may concern:

I am a Director of Genworth Financial, Inc. ("Genworth") and, until further written notice, I hereby individually authorize Leon E. Roday (Genworth's Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary) and Richard J. Oelhafen, Jr. (Genworth's Chief Corporate & Securities Counsel) to sign on my behalf a Form 3 and any Form 4 or Form 5 or related form that I have filed or may file hereafter in connection with my direct or indirect beneficial ownership of Genworth securities, and to take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which in his or her opinion may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by me.

Very truly yours,

/s/ David R. Nissen

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