## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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| Instruction 1(b).                                                                                                           |

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*<br>CURRENT GLOSTER B JR |             |               | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol SMITH A O CORP [ AOS ] |                   | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable) |                       |  |  |  |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|---------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|--|--|--|
| CURREN                                                           | I GLUSTER I | <u>B JR</u>   |                                                                           | X                 | Director                                                                   | 10% Owner             |  |  |  |
|                                                                  | (First)     | (Middle)<br>N | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br>04/13/2017            |                   | Officer (give title below)                                                 | Other (specify below) |  |  |  |
| 11270 WEST PARK PLACE                                            |             |               | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                  | 6. Indiv<br>Line) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable<br>Line)             |                       |  |  |  |
| (Street)                                                         |             |               |                                                                           | X                 | Form filed by One Re                                                       | porting Person        |  |  |  |
| MILWAUK                                                          | EE WI       | 53224         |                                                                           |                   | Form filed by More th<br>Person                                            | an One Reporting      |  |  |  |
| (City)                                                           | (State)     | (Zip)         |                                                                           |                   |                                                                            |                       |  |  |  |

### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | Transaction<br>Code (Instr. |   | 4. Securities /<br>Disposed Of (<br>5) |               |       | Securities                         | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|----------------------------------------|---------------|-------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                 |                                            |                                                             | Code                        | v | Amount                                 | (A) or<br>(D) | Price | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                                                                   | (1130.4)                                                          |
| Common Stock                    |                                            |                                                             |                             |   |                                        |               |       | 22,120 <sup>(1)</sup>              | D                                                                 |                                                                   |

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

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) |   | Derivative           |     | 6. Date Exerc<br>Expiration Da<br>(Month/Day/N | ate                | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                                        | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|---|----------------------|-----|------------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                     |                                                                       |                                            |                                                             | Code                         | v | (A)                  | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable                            | Expiration<br>Date | Title                                                                                            | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |                                                     | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4)                                                               |                                                                          |                                                                    |
| Restricted<br>Stock<br>Units                        | \$49.83                                                               | 04/13/2017                                 |                                                             | A                            |   | 2,509 <sup>(2)</sup> |     | (3)                                            | (3)                | Common<br>Stock                                                                                  | 2,509                                  | \$0                                                 | 70,433 <sup>(4)</sup>                                                                      | D                                                                        |                                                                    |

#### Explanation of Responses:

1. On October 5, 2016, the common stock of A. O. Smith Corporation split 2-for1, resulting in the reporting person's ownership of 11,060 additional shares of Common Stock.

2. Payment of retainer in Restricted Stock Units under the A. O. Smith Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan based on the market price of the Common Stock on April 13, 2017.

3. The Plan permits the participant to defer the receipt of the award, and Mr. Current has made a deferral.

4. On October 5, 2016, the common stock of A. O. Smith Corporation split 2-for1, resulting in the reporting person's ownership of 33,791 additional Restricted Stock Units. The Restricted Stock Units receive a quarterly dividend pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature of the A. O. Smith Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan. The total amount of dividends received was 342 units of Restricted Stock Units. **Remarks:** 

 James F. Stern, Attorney-in 

 Fact for Gloster B. Current, Jr.

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

 $\ast$  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).

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