FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  WULF GENE C						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SMITH A O CORP [ AOS ]											olicable)	ig Person	Person(s) to Issuer		
	A. O. SMITH CORPORATION							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/08/2019									Officer (give title below)		Other (specify below)		
11270 WEST PARK PLACE					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)						
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	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/E				Day/Year) i		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Dispos		Disposed	rities Acquired (A) ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			4 and S		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
							v	Amount	(A) or (D)		Price	Transaction(s)		action(s)			(iiiou. 4)				
Common Stock 07					08/2019				A		55(1)	A :		\$45	.88	1	12,485	D			
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	privative conversion or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any (Month/Day/Year) Price of Derivative Security			4. Transa Code ( 8)				6. Date Expiratio (Month/D	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares			nt er		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Own Form Direct or In (I) (Ir		11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Payment of retainer in stock under the A. O. Smith Corporation directors' compensation program based on the average of the high and low price of Common Stock on July 8, 2019.

## Remarks:

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact for Gene C. Wulf

07/10/2019

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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