FORM 5

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| Form 4 | Transactions | Reported. | Filed | d pursuant to S or Section 3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Name an STERN | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SMITH A O CORP [AOS] | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Exec VP, General Counsel & Sec | | | | | | | | | | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) A. O. SMITH CORPORATION 11270 WEST PARK PLACE | | | | 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2022 | | | | | | | | | | y/Year) | | | | |
| | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | , I | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable | | | | | | | |
| (Street) MILWAU | UKEE W | I 5 | 53224 | | | | | | | | | | n filed by C n filed by N | | | | ıg | |
| (City) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Table | I - Non-Deriva | ative Secu | rities | s Acq | uire | d, Dis | posed | of, or | Benefic | cially Owr | ned | | | | | |
| Date | | | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disp Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | A) or Dispos | Securiti Benefic | ies | | ership Indi n: Direct Ben | | Nature of lirect neficial mership | |
| | | | | (MOHUI) Day/ Te | Sai, | 0, | | Amount | | (A) or (D) | Price | Issuer's | | Indire (Instr | ect (I) | (I) (Instr. 4) | | |
| Common | Stock | | 11/01/2022 | | | G | 3 8, | | 565 | D | \$0 | 139 | 139,402 | | D | | | |
| | | Та | ble II - Derivat (e.g., pı | ive Securit uts, calls, v | | | | | | | | | ed | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) o Disp | r osed) r. 3, 4 | Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yes | | Expiration | | Amount or Number of Shares | - | 9. Numb derivativ Securitie Benefici Owned Followin Reporter Transact (Instr. 4) | re es ally eg d tion(s) | 10. Owners Form: Direct (I) or Indire (I) (Instr | nip of Be O) Ov ect (In | i. Nature i Indirect eneficial wnership nstr. 4) | |

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Wendy L. Grant, Attorney-in-Fact for James F. Stern

02/03/2023

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- * 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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