SMITH A O CORP Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * STERN JAMES F

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

SMITH A O CORP [AOS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Last)

(City)

(First)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title

A. O. SMITH CORPORATION, 11270 WEST 02/11/2016

below) Exec VP, General Counsel & Sec

PARK PLACE

(Street)

(State)

(Zip)

(Middle)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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MILWAUKEE, WI 53224

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)		sed of		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/11/2016		M	4,400 (1)	A	\$ 63.335	88,378	D	
Common Stock	02/12/2016		S	2,104 (2)	D	\$ 65.7588	86,274	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 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number Doof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pr Deriv Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 63.335	02/11/2016		M	4,400	(1)	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	4,400	\$ (

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

STERN JAMES F A. O. SMITH CORPORATION 11270 WEST PARK PLACE MILWAUKEE, WI 53224

Exec VP, General Counsel & Sec

Signatures

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

02/16/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- 4,400 Restricted Stock Units were granted on 02/11/2013, under the A. O. Smith Combined Incentive Compensation Plan, a transaction
 exempt under Rule 16b-3. 4,400 Restricted Stock Units vested on 02/11/2016. As a result of vesting, the Company is obligated to deliver 4,400 shares of Common Stock to the reporting person.
- (2) The reporting person sold these shares to obtain funds to pay the withholding taxes due as a result of the vesting of the restricted stock units described in footnote (1).

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