Squeri Stephen J Form 4 July 27, 2017

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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SECURITIES Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
Squeri Stephen J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

AMERICAN EXPRESS CO [AXP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(First) (Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

200 VESEY STREET, AMERICAN

07/25/2017

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

EXPRESS TOWER

Vice Chairman

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

NEW YORK, NY 10285-5001

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

Person

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. 7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Form: Direct Beneficial (D) or Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	07/25/2017		M	32,965	A	\$ 44.54	261,665.309	D	
Common Stock	07/25/2017		M	37,486	A	\$ 49.23	299,151.309	D	
Common Stock	07/25/2017		S <u>(1)</u>	62,792	D	\$ 85.41 (2)	236,359.309	D	
Common Stock	07/25/2017		S	32,000	D	\$ 85.41 (2)	204,359.309 (3)	D	
							117.64 <u>(4)</u>	I	

Common 401(k) Stock Trust

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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 Underlying Securitic (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 44.54	07/25/2017		M	32,965	01/27/2012(5)	01/27/2021	Common Stock	32,9
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 49.23	07/25/2017		M	37,486	01/24/2013(5)	01/24/2022	Common Stock	37,4

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Squeri Stephen J 200 VESEY STREET, AMERICAN EXPRESS TOWER NEW YORK, NY 10285-5001

Vice Chairman

Signatures

/s/ Carol V. Schwartz, attorney-in-fact 07/27/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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).
- The reported disposition represents the sale of shares to cover the cost of exercise and withholding tax obligations arising from the stock option exercise reported above and the sale of 50% of the net shares acquired from this exercise; the reporting person will retain the balance of the net shares in accordance with the Company's retention guidelines for executive officers.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$85.09 to \$85.76. The reporting person undertakes to provide to American Express Company, any security holder of American Express Company, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within this range.
- (3) Includes shares acquired pursuant to dividend reinvestment.
- (4) Shares held in reporting person's account under the Company's Retirement Savings Plan. This plan uses unit accounting, and the number of shares that a participant is deemed to hold varies with the unit price of the Company pooled stock fund.
- (5) These options became exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on date shown as "Date Exercisable."

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