## Edgar Filing: Brennan John Joseph - Form 4

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| January 03, 2018  |   |  |  |                    |  |   |   |  |   |  |  |
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| (Print or Type Respor   | nses)   |  |  |                    |  |   |   |  |   |  |  |
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u><br>Brennan John Joseph   |   |  | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading<br>Symbol<br>AMERICAN EXPRESS CO [AXP] |                    |  | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to<br>Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)   |   |  |   |  |  |
| (Last) (  | First) (1   | Middle)                                    | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction  |                    |  |   | (Check an applicable)   |  |   |  |  |
| C/O AMERICAN EXPRESS<br>COMPANY, 200 VESEY STREET   |   |  | (Month/Day/Year)<br>12/31/2017   |                    |  | X_ Director 10% Owner<br>Officer (give title Other (specify<br>below) below)  |   |  |   |  |  |
| (Street)  |   |  | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)                               |                    |  | <ul> <li>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check</li> <li>Applicable Line)</li> <li>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person</li> <li> Form filed by More than One Reporting</li> </ul> |   |  |   |  |  |
| NEW YORK, N   | Y 10285-500   | )1   |  |                    |  |   | Person  | More than One R  | eporting  |  |  |
| (City) (A   | State)  | (Zip)                                      | Tab  | ole I - Non-       | Derivative   | Securities A  | cquired, Disposed   | of, or Beneficia   | lly Owned   |  |  |
|   | nsaction Date<br>th/Day/Year)   | 2A. Deeme<br>Execution<br>any<br>(Month/Da | Date, if   | Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securit<br>onAcquired<br>Disposed<br>(Instr. 3, 4<br>Amount | (A) or<br>of (D)  | Securities<br>Beneficially  | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |  |
| Reminder: Report on   | a separate line   | for each cla                               | ass of sec   | urities bene       | ficially own   | ned directly  | or indirectly.  |  |   |  |  |
|   |   |  |  |                    | inforn<br>requir   | nation cont<br>ed to resp<br>ys a curre   | spond to the colle<br>tained in this form<br>ond unless the fo<br>ntly valid OMB co | n are not<br>rm  | SEC 1474<br>(9-02)  |  |  |

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

| 1. Title of | 2.          | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed         | 4.        | 5. Number of | 6. Date Exercisable and | 7. Title and Amount of |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------|--------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| Derivative  | Conversion  | (Month/Day/Year)    | Execution Date, if | Transacti | orDerivative | Expiration Date         | Underlying Securities  |
| Security    | or Exercise |                     | any                | Code      | Securities   | (Month/Day/Year)        | (Instr. 3 and 4)       |

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| (Instr. 3)                   | Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security |            | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8    |   | Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4, and<br>5) |     |                     |                    |                 |                                  |
|------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------|------------------|--------------|---|---|-----|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|
|                              |                                    |            |                  | Code         | V | (A)   | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title           | Amount or<br>Number of<br>Shares |
| Share<br>Equivalent<br>Units | <u>(1)</u>                         | 12/31/2017 |                  | A <u>(2)</u> |   | 340.978   |     | (3)                 | <u>(3)</u>         | Common<br>Stock | 340.978                          |

## **Reporting Owners**

|  |            | Relationships |         |       |  |  |  |  |
|--|------------|---------------|---------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Director   | 10%<br>Owner  | Officer | Other |  |  |  |  |
| Brennan John Joseph<br>C/O AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY<br>200 VESEY STREET<br>NEW YORK, NY 10285-5001 | X          |               |         |       |  |  |  |  |
| Signatures   |            |               |         |       |  |  |  |  |
| /s/ Tangela S. Richter,<br>attorney-in-fact  | 01/03/2018 |               |         |       |  |  |  |  |
| **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).
- (1) Each Share Equivalent Unit reflects the value of one common share.
- (2) The reported Share Equivalent Units were acquired pursuant to the Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan and will be settled in cash following termination of service as a Director.
- (3) The Share Equivalent Units are convertible immediately and have no expiration date.
- (4) Includes Share Equivalent Units acquired pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature of the Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan and/or the 2003 Share Equivalent Unit Plan for Directors.

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