

Vallett William L Jr
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Vallett William L Jr

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 SMITH A O CORP [AOS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 LOCHINVAR, LLC, 300 MADDOX SIMPSON PARKWAY

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/09/2018

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 CEO, Lochinvar, LLC

(Street)
 LEBANON, TN 37090

4. If Amendment, Date 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. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	02/09/2018		M	V	3,250 A \$ 60.11	55,568	D
Common Stock	02/09/2018		F		880 D \$ 60.11	54,688 ⁽²⁾	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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)
				Code V (A) (D)		Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 60.11	02/09/2018		M	3,250	(1) (1)	Common Stock 3,250
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 61.76	02/12/2018		A	1,415	(3) (3)	Common Stock 1,415
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 61.76	02/12/2018		A	5,890	(4) 02/12/2028	Common Stock 5,890

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Vallett William L Jr LOCHINVAR, LLC 300 MADDOX SIMPSON PARKWAY LEBANON, TN 37090			CEO, Lochinvar, LLC	

Signatures

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact for William L. Vallett, Jr. 02/13/2018

**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) 3,250 Restricted Stock Units were granted on 02/09/2015, under the A. O. Smith Combined Incentive Compensation Plan, a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3. 3,250 Restricted Stock Units vested on 02/09/2018. As of result of vesting, the Company is obligated to deliver 3,250 shares of Common Stock to the reporting person.
- (2) Mr. Vallett is a participant in the A. O. Smith Dividend Reinvestment Plan ("Plan") and receives a quarterly dividend pursuant to the Plan. The total amount of dividends received was 13 shares of Common Stock.

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- (3) The restricted stock units were granted on 02/12/2018 under the A. O. Smith Combined Incentive Compensation Plan, a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3. The restricted stock units become payable in Common Stock on the vesting date of 02/12/2021.
- (4) The employee stock options were granted on 02/12/2018 under the A. O. Smith Combined Incentive Compensation Plan, a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3. The options become exercisable in three annual installments of 1/3 of the award starting on 02/12/2019.

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