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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] <u>SMITH MARK D</u> (Last) (First) (Middle)			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>SMITH A O CORP</u> [AOS]		tionship of Reporting Pers all applicable) Director	on(s) to Issuer 10% Owner	
A. O. SMITH C	ORPORATION	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/16/2012		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)	
11270 WEST PARK PLACE			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	ividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable		
(Street)				X	Form filed by One Repo	rting Person	
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)					

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. Transa Code (8)		Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		sed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or Indirect (D) or Indirect Securities		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	04/16/2012		A		2,035 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$44.24	23,618	D		
Common Stock								8,196	I	In trust ⁽²⁾	
Common Stock								2,239	Ι	Held by spouse	

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

	(eigi, paro, bailo, warranto, opnono, convertible occurred)														
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. Transa Code (8)		i of 🛛		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Class A Common Stock	\$0 ⁽³⁾							(4)	(5)	Common Stock	0		43,149	I	In trust ⁽²⁾
Class A Common Stock	\$0 ⁽³⁾							(4)	(5)	Common Stock	0		919	I	Held by spouse

Explanation of Responses:

1. Payment of portion of retainer in stock under the A. O. Smith Corporation directors' compensation program based on the market price of the Common Stock on April 16, 2012.

2. The reporting person beneficially owns the shares as settlor of a revocable family trust.

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4. Convertible at any time

5. None

Remarks:

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact for Mark D. Smith

04/17/2012

** 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).

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