

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Larsen Michael M</u> <hr/> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>A. O. SMITH CORPORATION</u> <u>11270 WEST PARK PLACE</u> <hr/> (Street) <u>MILWAUKEE WI 53224</u> <hr/> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>SMITH A O CORP [AOS]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>07/12/2021</u>	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			

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 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					
Restricted Stock Units	\$70.855	07/12/2021		A	V	142 ⁽¹⁾		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	142	\$0	2,071 ⁽³⁾	D

Explanation of Responses:

1. Payment of retainer in Restricted Stock Units under the A. O. Smith Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan based on the average of the high and the low price of Common Stock on July 12, 2021.
2. The Plan permits the participant to defer the receipt of the award, and Mr. Larsen has made a deferral.
3. The Restricted Stock Units receive a quarterly dividend pursuant to a dividend reinvestment feature of the A. O. Smith Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan. The total amount of dividends received was 7 units of Restricted Stock Units.

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact for
Michael M. Larsen 07/14/2021

** 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).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of James F. Stern and Laura Jamison, signing singly, the

- (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer, director and/or more than 5% shareholder of A. (
- (2) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an affiliate and/or holder of restricted stock of the Compai
- (3) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned that may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Di
- (4) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing that, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of ben

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Documents with respect to the

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 10th day of March, 2021.

/s/Michael Larsen