FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.0	C. 20549
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STATEMENT (	OF (	CHANGES	IN BEN	IEFICIAL	OWNER	SHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Kempken Daniel L						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SMITH A O CORP [ AOS ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
Kempken Daniel L						[ 100 ]								Direct	or		10% Owner		
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(Last)	(Fi	irst)	(Middle)		3. 🛭	Date o	f Earli	est Trar	saction (	Month	n/Day/Year)			helow)			below)		
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A. O. SN	IIIH CORI	PORATION																	
11270 WEST PARK PLACE																			
,					_   4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
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		Tab	le I - No	n-Deriv	ative	Sec	curit	ies Ad	quired	l, Dis	sposed o	of, or Be	neficia	lly Owne	t				
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Options	\$17.462	11/22/2021			M			2,300	(1)		02/11/2023	Common Stock	2,300	\$0	48,310		D		
(Right to												Stock							
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## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. The employee stock options were granted on 02/11/2013 under the A. O. Smith Combined Incentive Compensation Plan, a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3. The options become exerciable in three annual installments of 1/3 of the award starting on 02/13/2014.

## Remarks:

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact for Daniel L. Kempken

11/23/2021

\*\* 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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