

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>O'Brien Stephen D.</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) LOCHINVAR, LLC 300 MADDOX SIMPSON PARKWAY (Street) LEBANON TN 37090 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 04/01/2022	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>SMITH A O CORP [AOS]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) <input type="checkbox"/> <u>SVP; President, Lochinvar, LLC</u>	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date				
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	3,455	72.34	D
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	1,110	74.265	D
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	(3)	02/07/2032	Common Stock	4,690	74.265	D
Restricted Stock Units	(4)	(4)	Common Stock	1,930	64.8	D

Explanation of Responses:

- The restricted stock units were granted on 08/16/2021 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 08/16/2024.
- The restricted stock units were granted on 02/07/2022 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 02/07/2025.
- The employee stock options were granted on 02/07/2022, under the A. O. Smith Combined Incentive Compensation Plan, a transaction exempt under rule 16b-3. The options became exercisable in three annual installments of 1/3 of the award starting on 02/07/2032.
- The restricted stock units were granted on 04/01/2022 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 04/01/2025.

Remarks:

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact for Stephen D. O'Brien 04/04/2022

** 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 5 (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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