FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  BROWN RONALD D						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SMITH A O CORP [ AOS ]									k all appli Directo	tionship of Reportir all applicable) Director		10% Ov	wner	
(Last) A. O. SM	`	irst) PORATION	(Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  04/16/2012  Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)											specify				
11270 WEST PARK PLACE					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)						
(Street) MILWAU	JKEE W	п	53224											X	,					
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)																	
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D					Execution Date,			Code (Instr. 5)			red (A) o str. 3, 4	or and	5. Amou Securition Benefici Owned I Reporte	es Formially (D) (Following (I) (I		n: Direct r Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
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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  (Instr. 3)  3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)  34. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)				Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		n of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title an Amount o Securities Underlyin Derivative (Instr. 3 an	f g Securi	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
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Restricted Stock Units <sup>(1)</sup>	\$44.24	04/16/2012			A		2,035		(2)		(2)	Common Stock	2,03	5	\$0	6,755 <sup>(3</sup>	3)	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Payment of portion of retainer in Restricted Stock Units under the A. O. Smith Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan based on the market price of the Common Stock on April 16, 2012.
- 2. The Plan permits the participant to defer the receipt of the award, and Mr. Brown 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 74 units of Restricted Stock Units.

## Remarks:

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact for Ronald D. Brown

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).
- \*\* 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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