FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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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]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) A. O. SMITH CORPORATION 11270 WEST PARK PLACE				07/	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/12/2021									Officer below)	(give title		Other (s	pecify	
(Street) MILWAUKEE WI 53224 (City) (State) (Zip)				-	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) Ative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Benefic								. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da				action	ction 2A. Deemed Execution Date,		3. 4. Securities Acq Transaction Disposed Of (D) Code (Instr. 5)		ties Acquire	ed (A) or	5. Amou Securitie Benefici Owned I		nt of es ally Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
								Code	<i>,</i>	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	ction(s)			(Instr. 4)	
	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. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transactic Code (Ins				6. Date Exercisable Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			nd 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pric Deriva Secur (Instr.		9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Restricted Stock Units	\$70.855	07/12/2021			A		142 ⁽¹⁾		(2)		(2)	Common Stock	142		\$0	62,680 ⁽	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. 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
- 219 units of Restricted Stock Units.

Remarks:

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

07/14/2021

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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