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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>SMITH BRUCE M</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>A. O. SMITH CORPORATION</u> <u>11270 WEST PARK PLACE</u>  (Street) <u>MILWAUKEE WI 53224</u>  (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>04/13/2021</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			
Common Stock	04/13/2021		A		1,922 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	\$67.665	5,226	D	
Common Stock								15,892	D <sup>(2)</sup>	
Common Stock								2,400	I	In trust <sup>(3)</sup>

**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	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Restricted Stock Units	\$0							(4)	(4)	Common	0		118,875 <sup>(5)</sup>	D	
Class A Common Stock	\$0 <sup>(8)</sup>	02/05/2021		G		60,291 <sup>(9)</sup>		(6)	(7)	Common Stock	60,291	\$0	169,110	I	Gift from revocable family trust to spouse of reporting person.
Class A Common Stock	\$0 <sup>(8)</sup>	02/05/2021		G		60,291 <sup>(9)</sup>		(6)	(7)	Common Stock	60,291	\$0	60,291	I	Owned by spouse of reporting person
Class A Common Stock	\$0 <sup>(8)</sup>	02/05/2021		G		60,291 <sup>(8)</sup>		(6)	(7)	Common Stock	60,291	\$0	0	I	Owned by spouse of reporting person

**Explanation of Responses:**

- Payment of retainer of stock under the A. O. Smith Corporation directors' compensation program based on the market price of the Common Stock on April 13, 2021.
- Shares deferred under the A. O. Smith Nonqualified Deferred Compensation Plan.
- The reporting person beneficially owns these shares as settlor of a revocable family trust.
- The Plan permits the participant to defer receipt of the award, and Mr. Smith has made a deferral.
- 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 1,065 units of Restricted Stock Units.
- Convertible at any time into Common Stock.
- None.
- Gift
- Gift from revocable family trust to spouse of reporting person.

**Remarks:**

James F. Stern, Attorney-in-Fact 04/15/2021  
for Bruce M. Smith

\*\* 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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