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GALLAGHER ARTHUR J & CO Form 4 March 20, 2017 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading GALLAGHER THOMAS JOSEPH Issuer Symbol GALLAGHER ARTHUR J & CO (Check all applicable) [AJG] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction 10% Owner (Last) (First) (Middle) Director X_Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) TWO PIERCE PLACE 03/16/2017 VICE PRESIDENT (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting ITASCA, IL 60143 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) any Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common Stock D 03/16/2017(1) Α 7.100 Α \$0 12.360 (restricted)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, any (Month/Day/Yea	Code	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numt of Sha
Non-qualified Stock Option	\$ 56.86	03/16/2017		А	37,300	(2)	03/16/2024	Common Stock	37,3
Reporting Owners									
Reporting Owner Name		Address	R	Relationships					
1 8		Directo	or 10% Owner	Officer	(Other			
GALLAGHER THOMAS JOSEPH TWO PIERCE PLACE ITASCA, IL 60143				VICE PRESIDENT					
Signatur	es								

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Signatures

/s/ April Hanes-Dowd, by power of attorney

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

03/20/2017

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Earned performance share units vesting on 3/17/2019.

(2) One-third of this stock option becomes exerciseable on each of the 3rd, 4th, and 5th anniversaries of the grant date.

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