

AMERICAN SOFTWARE INC
 Form 4
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 MCGUONE JAMES R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 AMERICAN SOFTWARE INC
 [AMSWA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 470 EAST PACES FERRY RD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/16/2017

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 ____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
 Secretary

ATLANTA, GA 30305

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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 | 03/16/2017 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | | 906 | A | \$ 8.97 |
| Common Stock | 03/16/2017 | | S | | 906 | D | \$ 10.46 |
| | | | | | | | 0 |

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, 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|
| Stock Option | \$ 8.97 | 03/16/2017 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | 906 | ⁽³⁾ 07/11/2019 | Common Stock | 906 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| MCGUONE JAMES R 470 EAST PACES FERRY RD ATLANTA, GA 30305 | | | Secretary | |

Signatures

James R. McGuone 03/20/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) On March 16, 2017, the Reporting Person converted 906 options into an equal number of shares of Class A Common Stock.
- (2) The Reporting Person undertakes to provide, upon request by the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each price for all transactions reported on this Form 4.
- (3) Vests 4,000 share(s) on 11-Jul-2014, 4,000 share(s) on 11-Jul-2015, 4,000 share(s) on 11-Jul-2016, 4,000 share(s) on 11-Jul-2017, 4,000 share(s) on 11-Jul-2018

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