Cavaness Joel D Form 4 March 19, 2018

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Cavaness Joel D

(Last)

(City)

(Instr. 3)

(First) (Middle)

2850 GOLF ROAD

(Street)

ROLLING MEADOWS, IL 60008-4002 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

GALLAGHER ARTHUR J & CO [AJG]

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

03/15/2018

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) below) Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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Person

(State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Reported

(Instr. 3 and 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Transaction(s)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

or

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 Conversion

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

5. Number of (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securiti

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	,	(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (I	D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha	
Non-qualified Stock Option	\$ 70.74	03/15/2018		A	18,300	<u>(1)</u>	03/15/2025	Common Stock	18,3	
Phantom Stock	(2)	03/19/2018		I	4,219	<u>(3)</u>	(3)	Common Stock	4,2	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Cavaness Joel D 2850 GOLF ROAD ROLLING MEADOWS, IL 60008-4002			Vice President			

Signatures

/s/ April Hanes-Dowd, by power of attorney 03/19/2018

**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) One-third of this stock option becomes exerciseable on each of the 3rd, 4th, and 5th anniversaries of the grant date.
- (2) Each share of phantom stock represents a right to receive one share of Gallagher common stock.
 - These shares represent awards under the Age 62 Plan, a nonqualified deferred compensation plan of the Company, which have been
- (3) deemed invested in Company common stock at the election of the reporting person. Participants vest in these awards when they attain age 62, or after a one-year period for participants who have attained age 61.

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