#### BERDING JOHN B

Form 4

February 27, 2019

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BERDING JOHN B			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP INC [AFG]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	_X_ Director 10% OwnerX_ Officer (give title Other (specify		

10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title below) below) President of Subsidiary

301 EAST FOURTH STREET, 27TH FLOOR

CINCINNATI, OH 45202

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

02/23/2019

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

(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. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)  (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price			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)			
Common Stock	02/23/2019		F	2,132 (1)	D	\$ 99.3275	41,913.029	D			
Common Stock	02/26/2019		A	9,570 (2)	A	\$ 0	51,483.029	D			
Common Stock							233	I	By Trust		
Common Stock							3,575.5938 (3)	I	ESPP		
Common Stock							66.3472 (4)	I	ESPP DRIP		

Common Stock

1,375.16 (5) I

401(k)

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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. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	5. ionNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	5	ate	7. Titl Amou Under Securi (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code V	' (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BERDING JOHN B 301 EAST FOURTH STREET 27TH FLOOR CINCINNATI, OH 45202	X		President of Subsidiary				

# **Signatures**

John B. Berding By: Karl J. Grafe, as 02/27/2019 Attorney-in-Fact

> \*\*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).
- Represents shares withheld by the Issuer to satisfy taxes payable in connection with the vesting of previously awarded shares of restricted **(1)** stock.
- (2) Represents the grant of restricted stock that vests four years from the date of grant.

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- (3) Shares allocated to the Reporting Person's account under the Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan (the "ESPP"). All ESPP information reported herein is based on a plan statement dated as of 12/31/2018.
- (4) Represents shares purchased by the Reporting Person through dividend reinvestment with the Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan ("ESPP"). All ESPP DRIP information reporting herein is based on a plan statement dated as of 12/31/2018.
- (5) Represents shares held in the Issuer's 401(k) Retirement and Savings Plan. The number of shares of Common Stock is based on a Plan Statement dated as of 12/31/2018.

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