

GALLAGHER ARTHUR J & CO
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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 *
 Cavaness Joel D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 GALLAGHER ARTHUR J & CO
 [AJG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 2 PIERCE PLACE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/13/2017

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

ITASCA, IL 60143
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Common Stock	02/13/2017		M		6,897 A \$ 24.13	D	
Common Stock	02/13/2017		M		2,833 A \$ 28.65	D	
Common Stock	02/13/2017		S		9,730 D \$ 55.59 (1)	D	

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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-qualified Stock Option	\$ 24.13	02/13/2017		M	6,897	<u>(2)</u> 03/02/2017	Common Stock	6,897
Non-qualified Stock Option	\$ 28.65	02/13/2017		M	2,833	<u>(2)</u> 05/15/2017	Common Stock	2,833

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Cavaness Joel D 2 PIERCE PLACE ITASCA, IL 60143			Vice President	

Signatures

/s/ April Hanes-Dowd, by power of attorney 02/14/2017

**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).

The price reported is an average weighted price. The shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$55.57 to \$55.61.

- (1) The reporting person will provide to the Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the issuer, or any security holder of the issuer, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.
- (2) The stock option becomes exercisable 20% each year on the anniversary of the grant date.

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