#### **DAVIDSON SPENCER**

Form 4

December 18, 2017

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* **DAVIDSON SPENCER** 

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

**GENERAL AMERICAN INVESTORS CO INC [GAM]** 

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/15/2017

\_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner \_\_X\_ Other (specify Officer (give title below) below)

Chairman

**GENERAL AMERICAN** INVESTORS CO INC, 100 PARK **AVENUE - 35TH FLOOR** 

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

NEW YORK, NY 10017

| (City)                               | (State)                              | (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned    |          |            |                              |                  |  |  |   |  |  |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|----------|------------|------------------------------|------------------|--|--|---|--|--|
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if Transactior Disposed any Code (Instr. 3, 4 (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) |          |            | sed of<br>4 and<br>(A)<br>or | 5)               | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |  |  |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 12/15/2017                           |   | Code V P | Amount 800 | (D)                          | Price \$ 33.8725 | 1,059,044  | D (1)  |   |  |  |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 12/18/2017                           |   | P        | 5,000      | A                            | \$<br>34.1786    | 1,064,044  | D (1)  |   |  |  |
| Common<br>Stock                      |                                      |   |          |            |                              |                  | 2,911  | D (2)  |   |  |  |
| Common<br>Stock                      |                                      |   |          |            |                              |                  | 76,881   | I (3)  | By Trusts   |  |  |
|                                      |                                      |   |          |            |                              |                  | 93,645   | D (1)  |   |  |  |

### Edgar Filing: DAVIDSON SPENCER - Form 4

5.95% Preferred Stock

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Preferred 1,000  $D^{(2)}$ 

Stock

5.95%

Preferred 93,600  $I^{(3)}$ By Trusts

Stock

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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactio<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) |                     | ite<br>Year)       | Amou<br>Under<br>Securi | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Underlying<br>Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Nu<br>Deriv<br>Secur<br>Bene<br>Owne<br>Follo<br>Repo<br>Trans |
|---|---|---|--|--|---------------------|--------------------|-------------------------|---|---|---|
|   |   |   | Code V                                 | (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)  (A) (D)                            | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title                   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares                                    |   | (Instr  |

# **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

**DAVIDSON SPENCER** GENERAL AMERICAN INVESTORS CO INC 100 PARK AVENUE - 35TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017

X

**Signatures** 

/s/ Spencer 12/18/2017 Davidson

Date

2 Reporting Owners

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## **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) Shares held by Hudson Partnership of which Spencer Davidson is the General Partner.
- (2) Shares held in an IRA account.
- (3) By various Trusts of which the undersigned is Trustee. The undersigned disclaims any beneficial interest in these shares.

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