English Steven Eugene Form 4 July 02, 2018

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### FORM 4

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

**SECURITIES** 

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 * English Steven Eugene			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol State Auto Financial CORP [STFC]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)					(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner				
518 E. BROAD STREET			06/29/2									
				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person				
COLUMBU	JS, OH 43215							Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction I (Month/Day/Ye	Fransaction Date 2A. Deemed onth/Day/Year) Execution Date, any (Month/Day/Year)			Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)				6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common				Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				
Shares without par value	06/29/2018			M	15,302 (1)	A	\$ 18.78	50,544.19 (2)	D			
Common Shares without par value	06/29/2018			S	15,302 (1)	D	\$ 30.51	35,242.19 <u>(2)</u>	D			
Common Shares without par value	06/29/2018			M	3,632 (1)	A	\$ 17.03	38,874.19 (2)	D			

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Common Shares without par value	06/29/2018	S	3,632 (1)	D	\$ 30.9	35,242.19 <u>(2)</u>	D
Common Shares without par value	06/29/2018	M	1,300 (1)	A	\$ 17.03	36,542.19 (2)	D
Common Shares without par value	06/29/2018	S	1,300 (1)	D	\$ 31.14	35,242.19 <u>(2)</u>	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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	FransactionDerivative Code Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option Right to Buy (NQ)	\$ 18.78	06/29/2018		M		15,302	03/04/2011	03/03/2020	Common Shares	15,302
Employee Stock Option Right to Buy (NQ)	\$ 17.03	06/29/2018		M		3,632	03/03/2012	03/02/2021	Common Shares	3,632
Employee Stock Option Right to Buy (NQ)	\$ 17.03	06/29/2018		M		1,300	03/03/2012	03/02/2021	Common Shares	1,300

#### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

English Steven Eugene 518 E. BROAD STREET COLUMBUS, OH 43215

Senior Vice President

### **Signatures**

/s/Steven E. English by Melissa A. Centers, attorney in fact, pursuant to POA filed with commission on 3-7-16.

07/02/2018

\*\*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).
- Transaction pursuant to reporting person's Rule 10b5-1 trading plan. See Item 8.01 of the Form 8-K filed by State Auto Financial Corporation on June 4, 2018.
- (2) Includes the following acquisition: 58.847 shares acquired in June 2018 through the STFC 401(k) Plan.

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