#### AMERICAN SOFTWARE INC

Form 4

December 22, 2016

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## 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 * MCGUONE JAMES R			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol AMERICAN SOFTWARE INC [AMSWA]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 470 EAST PACES FERRY RD		,	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/20/2016	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) below) Secretary		
ATLANTA, (	(Street) GA 30305		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 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
				Person		

(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. Transactio	4. Securi		•	5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)	(Wolldin Day) Tear)	any	Code			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial	
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(IIISU. 3,	(A)	3)	Owned Following Reported	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	12/20/2016		M <u>(1)</u>	785	A	\$ 8.97	785	D	
Common Stock	12/20/2016		S	785	D	\$ 10.9 (2)	0	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number op of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration D (Month/Day)	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	
Stock Option	\$ 8.97	12/20/2016		M(1)	785	(3)	07/11/2019	Common Stock	785	\$ 8

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
MCGUONE JAMES R							
470 EAST PACES FERRY RD			Secretary				
ATLANTA, GA 30305							

## **Signatures**

Reporting Person

James R.
McGuone

\*\*Signature of 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) On December 20, 2016, the Reporting Person converted 785 options into an equal number of shares of Class A Common Stock.
- (2) The Reporting Person undertakes to provide, upon request by the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each price for all transactions reported on this Form 4.
- (3) Vests 4,000 share(s) on 11-Jul-2014, 4,000 share(s) on 11-Jul-2015, 4,000 share(s) on 11-Jul-2016, 4,000 share(s) on 11-Jul-2017, 4,000 share(s) on 11-Jul-2018

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