#### AMERICAN SOFTWARE INC

Form 4

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## FORM 4

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

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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 * MCGUONE JAMES R			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AMERICAN SOFTWARE INC [AMSWA]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last) 470 EAST PAGE	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/14/2017	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) Secretary		
	(Street)		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		
ATLANTA, GA 30305				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)		sed of	` ′	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	03/14/2017		Code V $M_{\underline{(1)}}$	Amount 3,393	(D)	Price \$ 8.97	3,393	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2017		S	3,393	D	\$ 10.4503 (2)	0	D	
Common Stock	03/15/2017		M(3)	630	A	\$ 8.97	630	D	
Common Stock	03/15/2017		S	630	D	\$ 10.4595	0	D	

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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 omf Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	f Derivative Expiration Date ecurities (Month/Day/Year) acquired A) or Disposed of D) Instr. 3, 4,		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	03/14/2017		M(1)	3,393	<u>(4)</u>	07/11/2019	Common Stock	3,393
Stock Option	\$ 8.97	03/15/2017		M(3)	630	<u>(4)</u>	07/11/2019	Common Stock	630

### **Reporting Owners**

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

## **Signatures**

James R.

McGuone

\*\*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).
- (1) On March 14, 2017, the Reporting Person converted 3,393 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) On March 15, 2017, the Reporting Person converted 630 options into an equal number of shares of Class A Common Stock.

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(4) 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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