FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  EVANS JAMES E						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP INC AFG ]								(Check all appl X Direct		cable)		erson(s) to Issuer  10% Owner  Other (specify	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 301 EAST FOURTH STREET						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/22/2013								X	below) Senior Vice		below)		poonly
(Street) CINCINNATI OH 45202 (City) (State) (Zip)				4. l	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable .ine)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
		Tab	le I - N	lon-Deri	vative	Sec	urities	s A	cquire	ed, D	isposed o	of, or B	enefic	ially	Owned	d			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Y					Execu if any	eemed ution Date, th/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)			Acquired (A) or (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5		5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Followin		Form (D) o	n: Direct or Indirect onstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 03/22/202					013	13		M		4,931	Α	\$20	).4	143	3,230	D			
Common Stock 03/22/202					013	13			M		6,250	A	\$19	9.1 14		9,480		D	
Common Stock 03/22/201					013	13			S		10,250	D	\$47.03	317 <sup>(1)</sup> 139		9,230		D	
Common Stock													10,		298(2)		I	ESPP	
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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. Transa Code ( 8)				6. Date Expira (Month	tion D		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		De Se (In	Price of erivative ecurity istr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Owi For y Dire or li (I) (I	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerci	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Share	er					
Stock Option Exercise	\$20.28	03/22/2013			A		4,931		(3	3)	02/24/2015	Commo	4,93	31	\$0.00	0		D	
Stock Option	\$19.1	03/22/2013			A		6,250		(3	3)	02/12/2019	Commo	n 6,25	50	\$0.00	0		D	

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$47.00 to \$47.09, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to American Financial Group, Inc., ("AFG"), any security holder of AFG, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnote (1) to this Form 4.
- 2. Shares allocated to the Reporting Person's account under the Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan. All ESPP information reporting herein is based on a plan statement dated as of 12/31/2012.
- 3. These Employee Stock Options become exercisable in five equal installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.

### Remarks:

James E. Evans By: Karl J. Grafe, as Attorney-in-Fact \*\* Signature of Reporting Person

03/26/2013

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  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).

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