## 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*  JENSEN KEITH A						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP INC AFG ]								5. Relationship of Reporting (Check all applicable) Director X Officer (give title			10% Othe	Owner r (specify
(Last) (First) (Middle) 301 EAST FOURTH STREET						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/14/2012								Sr. Vice President				
(Street) CINCINNATI OH 45202					4.	If Amer	ndme	nt, Date	of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)				Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicab Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting				son	
(City)	(S	State) (Zip)													Persor	1		
		Tab	le I - N	lon-Deri	ivativ	e Sec	curit	ies A	cquire	ed, D	isposed o	f, or Be	eneficia	ally (	Owned			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Y						Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Disposed Of	(A) or 3, 4 and 5	Benefic Owned		es ially Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 03/14/2						12			M		8,181	A	\$20.2	520.28		,912	D	
Common Stock 03/14					2012				S		8,181	D	\$38.33	334 <sup>(1)</sup> 46		,731	D	
Common Stock 03/15/20					2012	12			M		11,819	A	\$20.2	.28 58		,550	D	
Common Stock 03/15/20				2012	12			S		11,819	D	\$38.327	275 <sup>(1)</sup> 46,		,731	D		
Common Stock															343	I	Spouse	
Common Stock														754.97 <sup>(2)</sup>		I	401-K	
		-	Table I								posed of, , converti				wned			
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 Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		De Se	Price of erivative ecurity 1str. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Owners Form: Direct (I or Indire (I) (Instr	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerc	isable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares	er				
Stock Option Grant	\$20.28	03/14/2012			М			8,181	(	3)	02/24/2015	Commor Stock	8,181	1	\$0.00	19,383	D	
Stock Option Grant	\$20.28	03/15/2012			M			11,819		3)	02/24/2015	Commor Stock	11,81	.9	\$0.00	7,564	D	

# **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The prices reported in Column 4 are weighted average prices. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$38.30 to \$38.37 and \$38.30 to 38.49, respectively, for sales on March 14 and March 15. 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) and (2) to this Form 4.
- 2. Held in the Company's Retirement and Savings Plan. The number of shares of common stock is based on a statement dated as of 12/31/11.
- 3. These Employee Stock Options become exercisable in five equal installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.

### Remarks:

Keith A. Jensen By: Karl J.

03/16/2012

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\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- \* 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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