AMERICAN EXPRESS CO

Form 4

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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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See Instruction 1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * O'Neill Michael John

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

AMERICAN EXPRESS CO [AXP]

(Check all applicable)

(First)

(Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title _ Other (specify

200 VESEY STREET, AMERICAN

01/28/2017

EXPRESS TOWER

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(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

below)

NEW YORK, NY 10285-5001

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	01/28/2017		A(1)	3,636	A	\$ 76.85	36,556.35	D	
Common Stock	01/28/2017		F(2)	1,550	D	\$ 76.85	35,006.35 <u>(3)</u>	D	
Common Stock							1,026.26 (4)	I	by 401(k) Plan

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

O'Neill Michael John 200 VESEY STREET, AMERICAN EXPRESS TOWER NEW YORK, NY 10285-5001

EVP, Corp Affairs & Comm

Signatures

/s/ Carol V. Schwartz, attorney-in-fact

01/31/2017

**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) Represents shares acquired pursuant to vesting of Restricted Stock Units ("performance units") that were granted to the reporting person in January 2014 and have vested based on the Company's 2014-16 return on average equity performance.
- (2) The reported disposition represents the surrender of shares to satisfy tax obligations arising from the vesting of Restricted Stock Units.
- (3) Includes shares acquired pursuant to dividend reinvestment.
- (4) Shares held in reporting person's account under the Company's Retirement Savings Plan. This plan uses unit accounting, and the number of shares that a participant is deemed to hold varies with the unit price of the Company pooled stock fund.

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