

Bell David  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 Bell David

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 Allied World Assurance Co Holdings, AG [AWH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE CO. HOLDINGS, AG, LINDENSTRASSE 8  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/22/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director  
 Officer (give title below)  
 \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 COO

BAAR/ZUG, V8 CH-6340  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Shares	02/22/2012		A		13,500 (1)	A	\$ 0
Common Shares	02/22/2012		M		322	A	\$ 0 (2)
Common Shares	02/22/2012		M		750	A	\$ 0 (3)
Common Shares	02/22/2012		D		461	D	\$ 66.8906 (4)
							53,405

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price or Value of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	02/22/2012		M	322 (2)	(5) (5)	Common Shares	322 (2) (2)
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	02/22/2012		M	750 (3)	(6) (6)	Common Shares	750 (3) (3)

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Bell David ALLIED WORLD ASSURANCE CO. HOLDINGS, AG LINDENSTRASSE 8 BAAR/ZUG, V8 CH-6340			COO	

## Signatures

/s/ Wesley D. Dupont, by Power of Attorney  
Date: 02/23/2012

\*\*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).

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Represents the Company's Common Shares that were earned pursuant to a 2009 LTIP award for no monetary consideration and which vested at 150% of target based on the achievement of pre-established performance criteria during the applicable three-year performance period established under the Company's Third Amended and Restated Long-Term Incentive Plan.

- On February 22, 2011, the reporting person was granted 1,290 Restricted Stock Units for no monetary consideration. The Restricted
- (2) Stock Units convert into (i) 645 of the Company's Common Shares and (ii) cash equal to the market value of 645 Common Shares (measured at the date of vesting) upon the vesting of such Restricted Stock Units.
- On February 22, 2010, the reporting person was granted 3,000 Restricted Stock Units for no monetary consideration. The Restricted
- (3) Stock Units convert into (i) 1,800 of the Company's Common Shares and (ii) cash equal to the market value of 1,200 Common Shares (measured at the date of vesting) upon the vesting of such Restricted Stock Units.
- (4) The fair market value of the cash portion was determined using the daily volume-weighted average sales price of the Company's Common Shares for the five consecutive trading days up to and including February 22, 2012.
- (5) The Restricted Stock Units vest in four equal installments with the first installment vesting on February 22, 2012.
- (6) The Restricted Stock Units vest in four equal installments with the first installment vesting on February 22, 2011.

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