

Voya Financial, Inc.
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FORM 4

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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 *
 Smith Michael S

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 230 PARK AVENUE
 (Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10169

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Voya Financial, Inc. [VOYA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/07/2016

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 ___X___ Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)

See Remarks

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 ___X___ 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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 03/07/2016 | | M | 24,172 A | 52,648 | D | |
| Common Stock | 03/07/2016 | | F | 9,428 D \$ 31.35 | 43,220 | D | |

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Restricted Stock Units | (2) | 03/07/2016 | | M | | (2) (2) | Common Stock | 16,511 |
| Performance Stock Unit | (3) | 03/07/2016 | | M | | (3) (3) | Common Stock | 7,160 |
| Restricted Stock Units | (4) | 03/07/2016 | | A | 21,691 (5) | (6) (6) | Common Stock | 21,691 |
| Performance Stock Unit | (4) | 03/07/2016 | | A | 26,512 (5) | (7) (7) | Common Stock | 26,512 (7) |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Smith Michael S 230 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10169 | | | See Remarks | |

Signatures

/s/ Jean Weng, Attorney
in Fact
03/09/2016
Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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) Delivery of shares of the company's common stock was made to the reporting person without the payment of any consideration in connection with the vesting of the underlying restricted stock units and performance stock units that were awarded as compensation.
- (2) The restricted stock units were awarded as compensation in 2014 and 2015 and converted to common stock on a 1 to 1 basis upon the vesting date.
- (3) The performance stock units were awarded as compensation in 2015 and converted to common stock based on the achievement of certain performance factors.
- (4) Each stock unit represents a conditional right to receive one share of the company's common stock.
- (5) The number of stock units granted was determined by reference to the closing price of a share of the company's common stock on March 7, 2016, the date of the grant.

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- (6) 1/3 of the restricted stock units will vest on March 7, 2017, 1/3 on March 7, 2018 and 1/3 on March 7, 2019.

The number of shares of common stock that will be delivered for each performance stock unit depends on the achievement of certain

- (7) performance factors. Depending on actual performance, the number of shares of common stock delivered upon the vesting date (March 7, 2019) can range from 0% to 150% of the number presented above.

Remarks:

Chief Executive Officer, Insurance Solutions and Closed Block Variable Annuities

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