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AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP INC Form 4 October 21, 2015 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **EVANS JAMES E** Issuer Symbol AMERICAN FINANCIAL GROUP (Check all applicable) INC [AFG] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) below) **301 EAST FOURTH STREET** 10/20/2015 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person _ Form filed by More than One Reporting CINCINNATI, OH 45202 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 6. 7. Nature of 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial any (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) Ownership Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (\mathbf{I}) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Amount Code V (D) Price Common 10/20/2015 Μ 9.930 A \$44.01 141,905 D Stock \$ Common 9.930 S D 10/20/2015 72.5128 131.975 D Stock (1)(2) Common \$44.01 10/21/2015 Μ 4,600 Α 136,575 D Stock \$ 4,600 Common S 10/21/2015 D 72.5208 131,975 D Stock (1) (3)

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Common Stock 11,029.297(4)

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if		5. Number onof Derivative	*		7. Title and A Underlying S	Securities
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option Exercise	\$ 44.01	10/20/2015		М	9,930	02/21/2013 <u>(5)</u>	12/31/2017	Common	9,930
Stock Option	\$ 44.01	10/21/2015		М	4,600	02/21/2013(5)	12/31/2017	Common	4,600

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
EVANS JAMES E 301 EAST FOURTH STREET CINCINNATI, OH 45202	Х						
Signatures							
James E. Evans By: Karl J. Graf Attorney-in-Fact	fe, as		10)/21/2015			
<u>**</u> Signature of Reporting P	erson			Date			

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) This sale was made pursuant to a 10b5-1 plan.

The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$72.50 to 72.55, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to American Financial Group, Inc., ("AFG"), any security holder of AFG,

- (2) to 72.55, 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 footnotes (2) and (3) to this Form 4.
- (3) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$72.50 to \$72.60, inclusive.
- (4) 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 12/31/2014.
- (5) In connection with the Reporting Person's retirement as an employee of the Company, the Employee Stock Options were accelerated to be fully vested and exercisable.

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