#### AMERICAN SOFTWARE INC

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MCGUONE JAMES R			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			AMERICAN SOFTWARE INC [AMSWA]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	Director 10% Owner		
470 EAST PACES FERRY RD		Y RD	(Month/Day/Year) 12/13/2016	Officer (give title Other (specification)  Secretary		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
	TA 20205		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting		
ATLANTA, GA 30305				Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi onor Dispo (Instr. 3,	sed of 4 and (A) or	` ′	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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	12/13/2016		M(1)	1,486	A	\$ 8.97	1,486	D	
Common Stock	12/13/2016		M(2)	4,800	A	\$ 8.81	6,286	D	
Common Stock	12/13/2016		S	4,800	D	\$ 11.0034 (3)	1,486	D	
Common Stock	12/13/2016		S	1,486	D	\$ 11.0034	0	D	

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	Transaction Derivative Code Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option	\$ 8.97	12/13/2016		M(1)	1,486	<u>(4)</u>	07/11/2019	Common Stock	1,486	\$
Stock Option	\$ 8.81	12/13/2016		M(2)	4,800	<u>(5)</u>	05/28/2021	Common Stock	4,800	\$

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
MCGUONE JAMES R 470 EAST PACES FERRY RD ATLANTA, GA 30305			Secretary				

## **Signatures**

James R.
McGuone

\*\*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) On December 13, 2016, the Reporting Person converted 1,486 options into an equal number of shares of Class A Common Stock.
- (2) On December 13, 2016, the Reporting Person converted 4,800 options into an equal number of shares of Class A Common Stock.
- (3) The Reporting Person undertakes to provide, upon request by the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each price for all transactions reported on this Form 4.

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- (4) Vests 4,000 share(s) on 11-Jul-2014, 4,000 share(s) on 11-Jul-2015, 4,000 share(s) on 11-Jul-2016, 4,000 share(s) on 11-Jul-2017, 4,000 share(s) on 11-Jul-2018
- Vests 4,800 share(s) on 28-May-2016, 4,800 share(s) on 28-May-2017, 4,800 share(s) on 28-May-2018, 4,800 share(s) on 28-May-2019, 4,800 share(s) on 28-May-2020

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