

AMERICAN SOFTWARE INC  
 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 \*  
**MCGUONE JAMES R**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**AMERICAN SOFTWARE INC [AMSWA]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Secretary

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**470 EAST PACES FERRY RD**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**03/14/2017**

**ATLANTA, GA 30305**

(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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	03/14/2017		M <sup>(1)</sup>		3,393	A	\$ 8.97
							3,393
Common Stock	03/14/2017		S		3,393	D	\$ 10.4503
							0
Common Stock	03/15/2017		M <sup>(3)</sup>		630	A	\$ 8.97
							630
Common Stock	03/15/2017		S		630	D	\$ 10.4595
							0

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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. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option	\$ 8.97	03/14/2017		M <sup>(1)</sup>	3,393	<sup>(4)</sup> 07/11/2019	Common Stock	3,393
Stock Option	\$ 8.97	03/15/2017		M <sup>(3)</sup>	630	<sup>(4)</sup> 07/11/2019	Common Stock	630

## 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 03/16/2017

\*\*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) On March 14, 2017, the Reporting Person converted 3,393 options into an equal number of shares of Class A Common Stock.
- (2) 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.
- (3) On March 15, 2017, the Reporting Person converted 630 options into an equal number of shares of Class A Common Stock.

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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

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