#### AMERICAN EXPRESS CO

Form 4

January 28, 2015

# FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CHENAULT KENNETH I	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
	AMERICAN EXPRESS CO [AXP]	(Check all applicable)				
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction					
	(Month/Day/Year)	X Director 10% Owner				
200 VESEY STREET, AMERICAN	01/26/2015	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify				
EXPRESS TOWER		below) below) Chairman & CEO				
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check				
	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)				

### NEW YORK, NY 10285-5001

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(City)	(State)	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. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code	V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)	(IIISII: 1)	
Common Stock	06/06/2014		G	V	31,430	D	<u>(1)</u>	702,340	D	
Common Stock	01/26/2015		A(2)		127,169	A	\$ 83.3	829,509	D	
Common Stock	01/26/2015		F(3)		63,828	D	\$ 83.3	765,681	D	
Common Stock								67,568	I	by trust fbo children
Common Stock								59,122	I	by trust fbo children

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Common Stock	26,148	I	By Wife
Common Stock	23,795	I (4)	By 401(k) Plan
Common Stock	4,158	I	Wife As Trustee/custodian
Common Stock	2,850	I	by son

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. Transa Code (Instr.	8)	5. In Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Amou Under Secur	rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code	V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Keiationsnips							
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
CHENAULT KENNETH I								
200 VESEY STREET, AMERICAN EXPRESS TOWER	X		Chairman & CEO					
NEW YORK NY 10285-5001								

# **Signatures**

/s/ Emily T. Epstein,
attorney-in-fact

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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### **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) The reported disposition represents bona fide charitable gifts made by the reporting person.
- Represents shares acquired pursuant to vesting of Restricted Stock Units ("performance units") that were granted to the reporting person in January 2012 and have vested based on the Company's 2012-15 return on average equity performance. Pursuant to the Company's stock ownership guidelines, the reporting person is required to hold 50% of shares received upon the vesting of equity awards for a period of one year.
- (3) The reported disposition represents the surrender of shares to satisfy tax obligations arising from the vesting of Restricted Stock Units.
- (4) Shares held in reporting person's account under the Company's Retirement Savings Plan. This plan uses unit accounting, and the number of shares that a participant is deemed to hold varies with the unit price of the Company pooled stock fund.

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