

ASSURED GUARANTY LTD
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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 *
 Albert Howard

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ASSURED GUARANTY LTD
 [AGO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1633 BROADWAY
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 05/10/2017

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Chief Risk Officer

NEW YORK, NY 10019

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Shares	05/10/2017		M	12,000	\$ 23.27	D	169,314.4953
Common Shares	05/10/2017		S	12,000	\$ 39.19 <u>(1)</u>	D	157,314.4953

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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Options to Acquire Common Shares	\$ 23.27	05/10/2017		M	12,000	⁽²⁾ 02/14/2018	Common Shares	12,000 ⁽³⁾

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Albert Howard 1633 BROADWAY NEW YORK, NY 10019			Chief Risk Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Ling Chow,
Attorney-in-fact
05/11/2017

__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) The Common Shares sold by the Reporting Person and reported herein were sold at a range of between \$39.06 and \$39.30 per share. The sale price reported above represents the weighted average sale price for the reported transaction and has been rounded to the nearest cent.
- (2) Options vested as follows: 1/3 on 02/14/2009, 1/3 on 02/14/2010 and 1/3 on 02/14/2011.
All options of this tranche have been exercised. The total number of options from other tranches with different exercise prices, vesting terms and expiration dates is 30,297(after taking into account 12,000 options exercised on 05/10/2017). The total number of performance share units from tranches with different performance measures, performance periods and vesting dates is 32,986.

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