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Form 5 February 10, 2017 OMB APPROVAL FORM 5 OMB UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION 3235-0362 Number: Washington, D.C. 20549 Check this box if January 31, Expires: no longer subject 2005 to Section 16. Estimated average ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL Form 4 or Form burden hours per 5 obligations **OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES** response... 1.0 may continue. See Instruction Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 1(b). Form 3 Holdings Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section Reported 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 Form 4 Transactions Reported 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer Stark Eugene S Symbol GENERAL AMERICAN (Check all applicable) **INVESTORS CO INC [GAM]** (Middle) 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Last) (First) Director 10% Owner Other (specify Х _ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 12/31/2016 VP Administration/CCO/PFO GENERAL AMERICAN INVESTORS COMPANY. INC., 100 PARK AVENUE -35TH FLOOR (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting Filed(Month/Day/Year) (check applicable line) NEW YORK. NYÂ 10017 _X_ Form Filed by One Reporting Person Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction (A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) anv Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Owned at end Direct (D) Ownership (Instr. 8) of Issuer's or Indirect (Instr. 4) Fiscal Year (I)(A) (Instr. 3 and (Instr. 4) or 4) (D) Price Amount Common 02/01/2016 Â $J^{(1)}$ \$27.75 3,646 D⁽²⁾ Â 13 Α Stock Common Â 12/30/2016 Â **J**(1) 357 4,003 D⁽²⁾ А 31.375 Stock By Thrift Common Â 12/30/2016 **J**(3) 5,662 \$<u>(3)</u> 40,613 I (4) Α Stock Plan Trust

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5.95% Preferred Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	2,500	I <u>(5)</u>	By Spouse
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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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Amou Unde Secur	le and ant of rlying ities . 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. of D Se D E I S Fi (I
				(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Stark Eugene S GENERAL AMERICAN INVESTORS COMPANY, INC. 100 PARK AVENUE - 35TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017	Â	Â	VP Administration/CCO/PFO	Â			
Signatures							

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/s/ Eugene S. Stark	02/10/2016			
**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) Shares received in payment of dividends.
- (2) Shares held in joint tenancy with spouse.
- (3) The securities reported herein were acquired on a periodic basis in open market transactions at the prevailing market price pursuant to the Issuer's Employees' Thrift Plan. The information is based upon a statement as of 12/31/2016 issued by the Plan Administrator.
- (4) By Issuer's Employees' Thrift Plan Trust. The undersigned disclaims any beneficial interest in these shares.
- (5) Shares held by the undersigned's spouse in an IRA account.
- (6) Shares held by the undersigned in an IRA account.

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