Spriggs Elise Marie Form 4 March 29, 2019

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).

1. Name and A Spriggs Elis	ddress of Repore Marie	ting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol State Auto Financial CORP [STFC]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
518 E. BROAD STREET		,	(Month/Day/Year) 03/28/2019	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Senior Vice President			
(Street) COLUMBUS, OH 43215			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acc	united Disposed of or Reneficially Owned			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Shares without Par Value	03/28/2019		F(1)	232	D	\$ 33.06	3,176.903 (2)	D	

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	f 2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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				Code v	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Other Director 10% Owner

Spriggs Elise Marie 518 E. BROAD STREET COLUMBUS, OH 43215

Senior Vice President

Signatures

Elise M. Spriggs by Melissa A. Centers, attorney in fact pursuant to a POA filed with the Commission 4-6-16.

03/29/2019

**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).
 - Represents common shares surrendered by the reporting person to STFC (or disposed to the issuer thereof) for payment of tax liability incident to a prior stock award of 762 common shares which vested on 3/28/19. Prior thereto, such disposition to the issuer had been
- (1) approved by the STFC Compensation Committee pursuant to Rule 16b-3 (e) and is therefore exempt from the provisions of Section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The price per share of 33.06 represents the closing price of STFC's common shares on March 28,
- (2) Includes the following acquisitions: 391.171 shares acquired in December 2018 under the STFC Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

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