HOWELL DOUGLAS K

Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HOWELL DOUGLAS K			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GALLAGHER ARTHUR J & CO [AJG]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle) ARTHUR J. GALLAGHER & CO., TWO PIERCE PLACE		IER &	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/04/2009	Director 10% Owner Nother (give title Other (specify below) below) VP & Chief Financial Officer		
ITASCA, IL	(Street) 60143		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person _ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
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(City)	(State) (Z	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
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Common			Code V	Amount	(D) Pr	ce (msa: 3 and 1)				
Common Stock (restricted)	03/04/2009		A	16,779	A (1)	31,842	D			
Common Stock						30,891	D			
Common Stock						25,570	I	by Trust		

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	e 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	of	rative rities ired r osed)	S		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securitie
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 24.58						<u>(2)</u>	03/02/2013	Common Stock	75,00
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 23.76						<u>(3)</u>	03/05/2018	Common Stock	6,06
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27.03						<u>(2)</u>	05/15/2016	Common Stock	2,59
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27.25						(2)	07/20/2015	Common Stock	35,00
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27.94						<u>(2)</u>	10/18/2017	Common Stock	50,0
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 28.65						(3)	05/15/2017	Common Stock	11,3°
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.42						<u>(2)</u>	07/21/2014	Common Stock	35,00
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 33.28						01/01/2005(2)	03/31/2014	Common Stock	3,75

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HOWELL DOUGLAS K ARTHUR J. GALLAGHER & CO. TWO PIERCE PLACE ITASCA, IL 60143

VP & Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

Douglas K.

Howell 03/10/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

Date

- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Restricted stock award vesting in four years.
- (2) The stock option becomes exercisable 10% each year, commencing January 1 after the date of grant.
- (3) The stock option becomes exercisable 20% each year on the anniversary of the grant date.

Remarks:

The directly owned common stock holdings reflected in Table I of this form include shares purchased through Arthur J. Gallag

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