BAX WILLIAM L Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BAX WILLIAM L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

05/20/2009

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

GALLAGHER ARTHUR J & CO

[AJG]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

10% Owner _ Other (specify

ARTHUR J. GALLAGHER & CO., TWO PIERCE PLACE

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

> > Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

_X__ Director

Officer (give title

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

D

Person

ITASCA, IL 60143

(City)	(State) (Z	Table	I - Non-De	rivative S	ecurit	ies Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	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)	(,		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)	
Common Stock Common	05/20/2009		Code V <u>J(1)</u>	Amount 81	(D) A	Price \$ 20.68	(Instr. 3 and 4) 11,621	D	

(restricted)

Stock

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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.28					(2)	05/12/2016	Common Stock	9,375

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
BAX WILLIAM L ARTHUR J. GALLAGHER & CO. TWO PIERCE PLACE ITASCA, IL 60143	X					

Signatures

By: Kerry S. Abbott For: William U. Bax

**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) Dividend reinvestment pursuant to the Arthur J. Gallagher & Co. Deferral Plan for Nonemployee Directors.
- (2) The stock option becomes exerciseable one year after the grant date.

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