## FORM 5

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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**ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP** 

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Form 4 Transactio	•	Filed	d pursuant to S or Section :	Section 30(h) d	n 16(a) of the I	) of the	e Securi ment Co	ies Exchan mpany Act	ge Act of 194	of 1934 0							
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Grensteiner Ronald James</u>		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AMERICAN EQUITY INVESTMENT LIFE HOLDING CO [ AEL ]					Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner										
(Last) 6000 WESTOWN		(Middle)		nt for I		er's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)  Officer (give title below)  Former officer											
(Street) WEST DES MOINES	IA :	50266	4. If Amend	lment,	Date o	of Orig	ginal File	d (Month/D	ay/Yea		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					erson	
(City)		(Zip) • I - Non-Deriva	ative Secu	ritios	- Acc	nuiro	d Dis	nosed o	f or	Renefic	vllein	Own					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date		2. Transaction	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any		3. 4. Secu Transaction Of (D) (		rities Acqui	Acquired (A) or Disp 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially		nt of es ally	t of 6. Owners		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial		
							Amour	t (	A) or D) Price		Is Y	Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)		(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock		03/25/2022			G	ì	5,3	300	D	\$0	83		739	D			
Common Stock												14,	809		I	By ESOP	
	Та	ıble II - Derivat (e.g., pı	ive Securi uts, calls, v									Owne	d				
Derivative Conversion Date Executi Security or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) Derivative Acquired (A) or Dispose of (D) (Instr. 3, and 5)		vative irities uired or osed ) r. 3, 4	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) S S d U D S 3		Amo Sec Und Deri	tle and bunt of urities erlying vative urity (Instr. d 4)	Deri Secu (Inst	Price of ivative derivative Securitie Beneficia Owned Followin Reporter Transact (Instr. 4)		ive ties Cially Direct (D or Indirect (I) (Instr. ed ction(s)		D) Beneficial Ownership ect (Instr. 4)			
				(A)	(D)	Date Exer	cisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares							

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

/s/ Mark A. Schuman, authorized signer

02/09/2023

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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

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