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## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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	ddress of Reporting KENNETH R		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP</u> [ ADS ]		ationship of Reporting Pe k all applicable) Director Officer (give title	10% Owner Other (specify
(Last) (First) (Middle) 7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 700	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/09/2016		below)	below)		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indi Line)	vidual or Joint/Group Fili	ng (Check Applicable
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#### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transa Code ( 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
		Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(
Common Stock	03/09/2016	<b>M</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		2,512	Α	\$53.54	68,850 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	

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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code ( 8)		of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$53.54	03/09/2016		M <sup>(1)</sup>			2,512	(3)	06/12/2016	Common Stock	2,512	(3)	0	D	

#### Explanation of Responses:

1. Cash exercise of stock options due to expire on June 12, 2016, ten years after such options were granted.

2. The total amount of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 59,756 unrestricted shares; (b) 2,388 unvested restricted stock units granted 7/1/08; (c) 1,904 unvested restricted stock units granted 7/1/09; (d) 1,136 unvested restricted stock units granted 6/30/10; (e) 1,211 unvested restricted stock units granted 6/30/11; (f) 869 unvested restricted stock units granted 6/29/12; (g) 679 unvested restricted stock units granted 7/1/14; and (i) 418 unvested restricted stock units granted 6/29/15.

3. This is a stock option grant that is fully vested.

**Remarks:** 

Cynthia L. Hageman, Attorney 03/11/2016

<u>in Fact</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

\* 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).

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