

Bailenson Robert
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Bailenson Robert

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ASSURED GUARANTY LTD
 [AGO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)
 ___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 Chief Financial Officer

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 ASSURED GUARANTY LTD., 30
 WOODBOURNE AVENUE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 02/04/2018

HAMILTON, D0 HM08

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 ___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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 (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount or Price | | |
| Common Shares | 02/04/2018 | | F | | 9,670 (1) | D | \$ 35.19 201,384.0819 D |
| Common Shares | 02/04/2018 | | M | | 39,094 (2) | A | \$ 0 240,478.0819 D |
| Common Shares | 02/04/2018 | | F | | 19,145 (1) | D | \$ 35.19 221,333.0819 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 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Performance Share Units | (2) | 02/04/2018 | (2) | M | 19,547 | (2) (2) | Common Shares | 19,547 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Bailenson Robert ASSURED GUARANTY LTD. 30 WOODBOURNE AVENUE HAMILTON, D0 HM08 | | | Chief Financial Officer | |

Signatures

/s/ Ling Chow,
Attorney-in-fact
02/06/2018
Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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) Common Shares being withheld to pay tax liability.

(2) Performance share units awarded pursuant to the Assured Guaranty Ltd. 2004 Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). Using the highest 40-day average stock price during the performance period (7/1/2016 to 12/31/2017), 200.00% of the performance share units granted became vested. The number of Common Shares delivered equals the number of performance share units granted multiplied by 200.00%.

(3) Total includes performance units from other tranches with different performance measures, performance periods and vesting dates, but does not include 49,094 outstanding options.

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