JOHNSON ERIC R

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and A JOHNSON	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CNO Financial Group, Inc. [CNO]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer					
(Last) 11825 N. Pl STREET	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/15/2019					(Check all applicable) Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) EVP, Chief Investment Officer					
				ndment, Da nth/Day/Year		l		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
CARMEL,						Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative s	Securi	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Dat (Month/Day/Year)	Executio any	med n Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	02/15/2019			M	69,300	A	\$ 7.51	452,089	D		
Common Stock	02/15/2019			F	41,753	D	\$ 17.31 (1)	410,336	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)	Execution Date, if TransactionDerivation any Code Securition (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquire or Disposition (D)		Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 7.51	02/15/2019		A	69,300	<u>(2)</u>	02/28/2019	Common Stock	0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

JOHNSON ERIC R 11825 N. PENNSYLVANIA STREET CARMEL, IN 46032

EVP, Chief Investment Officer

Signatures

Karl W. Kindig, Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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) Shares surrendered to CNO Financial Group, Inc. for exercise price and required tax withholding.
- (2) One-half of these options vested on February 28, 2014 and one-half vested on February 28, 2015.

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