

CENTERS MELISSA A
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
CENTERS MELISSA A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

518 E. BROAD STREET

(Street)

COLUMBUS, OH 43215

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

State Auto Financial CORP [STFC]

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

12/31/2018

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)

Senior Vice President

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

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Commons Shares without Par Value	12/31/2018		F ⁽¹⁾	892 D (A) or (D)	\$ 15,587.006 34.04 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Shares without Par Value	12/31/2018		F ⁽¹⁾	239 D (A) or (D)	\$ 15,348.006 34.04 ⁽²⁾	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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CENTERS MELISSA A
518 E. BROAD STREET
COLUMBUS, OH 43215

Senior Vice President

Signatures

/s/Melissa A.
Centers

01/02/2019

**Signature of
Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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Represents common shares surrendered by the reporting person to STFC (or disposed to the issuer thereof) for payment of tax liability incident to prior stock awards of 2,006 and 10,000 common shares in which 668 shares out of the 2,006 shares vested on 12/31/18; and

(1) 2,500 shares out of the 10,000 shares vested on 12/31/18. Prior thereto, such disposition to the issuer had been approved by the STFC Compensation Committee pursuant to Rule 16b-3(e) and is therefore exempt from the provisions of Section 16(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. The price per share of 34.04 represents the closing price of STFC's common shares on December 31, 2018.

Includes the following acquisitions: 9,484 shares acquired in March, 2018; 8,602 shares acquired in June, 2018; 10,314 shares acquired in September 2018; and 9,449 shares acquired in December 2018 as dividend reinvestment. Also includes 458,766 shares acquired in June, 2018 under the STFC Employee Stock Purchase Plan. Also includes 4,149 shares acquired in March 2018 and 4.03 shares acquired in June 2018 as Restricted Dividend Reinvestment..

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