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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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1. Name and Addre	ss of Reporting Perso / <mark>IES H JR</mark>	n*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ACUITY BRANDS INC</u> [ AYI ]		tionship of Reporting Perso all applicable) Director	on(s) to Issuer 10% Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O ACUITY BRANDS, INC. 1170 PEACHTREE STREET, NE, STE. 2300 (Street) ATLANTA GA 30309		<b>、</b> ,	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/01/2019		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)
		·	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	,	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)			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 A Disposed Of (			Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (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)		(mour 4)
Common Stock	11/01/2019		A		287(1)	Α	\$126.66	12,492 <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)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of 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				

Explanation of Responses:

1. The shares being reported result from a grant of shares pursuant to the 2011 Acuity Brands, Inc. Nonemployee Director Compensation Plan (Effective as of December 1, 2011, as amended effective December 1, 2012).

2. The total direct shares owned includes 429 time-vesting restricted shares.

**Remarks:** 

#### /s/ Jill A. Gilmer under Power of Attorney for James H. 11/05/2019 Hance, Jr.

\*\* 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).

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