#### HEFFERNAN EDWARD J

Form 4

February 21, 2018

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* HEFFERNAN EDWARD J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP [ADS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(First) 7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 02/16/2018

(Middle)

700

3. Date of Earliest Transaction \_X\_ Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year)

below)

President and CEO

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

PLANO, TX 75024

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit ord Dispos (Instr. 3,	ed of		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	02/16/2018		F(1)	1,816	D	\$ 243.5	264,668	D	
Common Stock	02/16/2018		S	1,500	D	\$ 243.061 (2)	263,168	D	
Common Stock	02/16/2018		S	3,099	D	\$ 243.999 (3)	260,069	D	
Common Stock	02/16/2018		S	12,001	D	\$ 244.91 (4)	248,068	D	

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Common Stock	02/16/2018	S	4,400	D	\$ 245.801 243,668 (5)	D
Common Stock	02/20/2018	F <u>(1)</u>	2,553	D	\$ 246.52 241,115 <u>(6)</u>	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. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
					(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Amo or Title Num of Shar	ıber	

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Kelationships				
, C	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
HEFFERNAN EDWARD J					
7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 700	X		President and CEO		
PLANO TX 75024					

## **Signatures**

Cynthia L. Hageman, Attorney 02/21/2018 in Fact

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

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- Shares withheld by the Company to satisfy the Reporting Person's tax withholding obligation upon the vesting of restricted stock units.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$242.36 to \$243.31, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Alliance Data Systems Corporation, any security holder of Alliance Data Systems Corporation, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnotes (2), (3), (4) and (5) to this Form 4.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$243.42 to \$244.41, inclusive.
- (4) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$244.44 to \$245.42, inclusive.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$245.44 to \$246.27, inclusive.

The total number of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 182,230 unrestricted shares; (b) 1,708 unvested units from an award of 5,026 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/16/16; (c) 3,041 unvested units from an award of 8,947 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/16/16; (d) 3,738 unvested units from an award of 5,578 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/15/17; (e) 5,210 unvested units from an award of 7,776 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/15/17; (f) 11,155 unvested performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/15/17; (g) 4,473 unvested units from an award of 8,946 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/15/17; (h) 5,912 unvested time-based restricted stock units granted 2/15/18; (i) 11,824 unvested performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/15/18; and (j) 11,824 unvested performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/15/18.

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