## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1	dress of Reporting	Person*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ACUITY BRANDS INC [ AYI ]		ationship of Reporting Pe k all applicable)	Reporting Person(s) to Issuer le)	
Battle W. P	<u>atrick</u>		[]	X	Director	10% Owner	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/01/2017	1	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)	
	BRANDS, IN						
1170 PEACH	TREE STREET	Г NE, SUITE 2300	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line)	vidual or Joint/Group Filir	ng (Check Applicable	
(Street)				X	Form filed by One Re	porting Person	
ATLANTA	GA	30309	_		Form filed by More that Person	an One Reporting	
(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)				4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)

#### 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)		of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		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				
Stock Units	(1)	11/01/2017		Α		195		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	195 <sup>(3)</sup>	\$160.49	1,865	D	

#### Explanation of Responses:

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2. Stock Units issued pursuant to the Plan are payable in common shares upon retirement in either a lump sum or five annual installments.

3. Stock Units are accrued under the Issuer's Nonemployee Directors' Deferred Compensation Plan (formerly known as the Nonemployee Directors' Stock Unit Plan) and are payable in shares upon retirement in either lump sum or five annual installments. Accruals include required and elective deferral of director fees. During the Reporting Period, fees paid to the Reporting Person resulted in an increase in the number of units held.

#### **Remarks:**

/s/ Jill A. Gilmer under Power of Attorney for W. Patrick 11/03/2017 **Battle** Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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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