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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Helding Erik M Issuer Symbol CNO Financial Group, Inc. [CNO] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title _ Other (specify C/O CNO FINANCIAL GROUP. 02/19/2019 below) INC., 11825 N. PENNSYLVANIA EVP and CFO **STREET** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

CARMEL, IN 46032

Person

(City)	(State) (Z	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owne							y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Transactior(A) or Disp Code (Instr. 3, 4 a (Instr. 8)		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	02/19/2019		Code V A	Amount 4,517 (1)	(D)	Price \$ 17.48	51,671	D	
Common Stock	02/19/2019		F	1,462 (2)	D	\$ 17.48	50,209	D	
Restricted Stock Units (3) (4)	02/19/2019		A	12,100	A	\$ 17.48	62,309	D	
Common Stock	02/20/2019		M	5,750	A	\$ 7.51	68,059	D	
	02/20/2019		F		D	\$ 17.3	64,658	D	

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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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)	
			Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Options	\$ 17.48	02/19/2019	A	29,500		<u>(7)</u>	02/19/2029	Common Stock	29,500
Stock Options	\$ 7.51	02/20/2019	A		5,750	<u>(6)</u>	02/28/2019	Common Stock	0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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C/O CNO FINANCIAL GROUP, INC. 11825 N. PENNSYLVANIA STREET CARMEL, IN 46032

EVP and CFO

Signatures

Karl W. Kindig, Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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) These shares were acquired upon vesting of performance share units for the 2016-2018 performance period, based on the Issuer's average pre-tax operating return on equity over that period.
- (2) Shares were surrendered to CNO Financial Group, Inc. to cover required tax withholding on performance share units.

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- (3) Restricted stock units convert into common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (4) The restricted stock units vest in three equal annual installments beginning March 25, 2020.
- (5) Shares surrendered to CNO Financial Group, Inc. for exercise price and required tax withholding.
- (6) One-half of these options vested on February 28, 2014 and one-half vested on February 28, 2015.
- (7) One-half of these options vest on February 19, 2021 and one-half vest on February 19, 2022.

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