

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Maxwell Kevin Alden</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>1852 PROFFITT SPRINGS ROAD</u>  (Street) <u>MARYVILLE TN 37801</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>SMITH &amp; WESSON BRANDS, INC. [ SWBI ]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) See Remarks
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>05/01/2026</u>	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	05/01/2026		A		27,612 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	\$0	129,142 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Common Stock	05/01/2026		F		6,854 <sup>(3)</sup>	D	\$15.57	122,288	D	
Common Stock	05/02/2026		F		653 <sup>(3)</sup>	D	\$14.97	121,635	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. 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 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
Performance Rights	(4)	05/01/2026		A		55,222		(4)	05/01/2029	Common Stock	55,222	\$0	55,222	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- 1/4th of the RSUs shall vest on each of the first, second, third, and fourth annual anniversaries of the date of grant. Shares, net of tax withholding, will be delivered on each applicable vesting date.
- Includes 2,616 shares acquired under the Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan on March 31, 2026.
- Represents shares of common stock withheld by the Issuer to satisfy certain tax withholding obligations associated with the vesting of restricted stock units.
- Each performance right represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock. The performance rights vest based on achievement of certain target performance of the Issuer's stock price over a three year period. The number represents the maximum number of shares that may be delivered pursuant to the award.

**Remarks:**

The reporting person is Senior Vice President, General Counsel, Chief Compliance Officer, and Secretary.

/s/ Deana McPherson, as attorney-in-fact

05/05/2026

\*\* 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).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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