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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Motes Joseph L III

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

Symbol

ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP [ADS]

(Check all applicable)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

below) 08/17/2018 SVP, General Counsel & Secy

7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE

(Street)

(State)

(First)

(Middle)

(Zip)

700

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

Person

PLANO, TX 75024

(City)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 6. 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (D) or Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Following Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Common Stock

08/17/2018

 $F^{(1)}$

138

D

235.64

 $7,385 \stackrel{(2)}{=}$

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)

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| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | TransactionNumber | | Expiration D | ate | Amount of | Derivative | Deriv |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Underlying | Security | Secui |
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| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | Shares | S | |

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Motes Joseph L III 7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 700 PLANO, TX 75024

SVP, General Counsel & Secy

Signatures

Cynthia L. Hageman, Attorney 08/21/2018 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) Shares withheld by the Company to satisfy the Reporting Person's tax withholding obligation upon the vesting of restricted stock units.
 - The total number of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 2,514 unrestricted shares; (b) 143 unvested units from an award of 423 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/16/16; (c) 256 unvested units from an award of 755 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/16/16; (d) 315 unvested units from an award of 470 time-based restricted stock units granted 2/15/17; (e) 439 unvested units
- (2) from an award of 656 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/15/17; (f) 941 unvested performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/15/17; (g) 376 unvested units from an award of 753 performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/15/17; (h) 479 unvested time-based restricted stock units granted 2/15/18; (i) 961 unvested performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/15/18; and (j) 961 unvested performance-based restricted stock units granted 2/15/18.

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