

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>LaBauve Donald J. Jr.</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) ALBEMARLE CORPORATION 4350 CONGRESS STREET, SUITE 700 (Street) CHARLOTTE NC 28209 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ALBEMARLE CORP [ALB]</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) <u>VP, Corporate Controller & CAO</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>05/08/2018</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							9,406	I	Albemarle Savings Plan ⁽¹⁾	
Common Stock	05/08/2018		M		2,375 ⁽²⁾	A	\$0.00	5,752	D	
Common Stock	05/08/2018		F		698 ⁽²⁾	D	\$100.11	5,054	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
Restricted Stock Unit	⁽³⁾	05/08/2018		M		2,375		⁽²⁾	⁽⁴⁾	Common Stock	2,375	\$0.00	2,375	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Total number of shares of Common Stock held in the name of the Reporting Person under the Albemarle Corporation Retirement Savings Plan (the "Albemarle Savings Plan") as of the date of this Form 4.
- Restricted Stock Units granted on 05/08/2015 to vest on the third anniversary of the grant date, vested on 05/08/2018. 698 shares were withheld to meet tax liabilities associated with such vested Restricted Stock Units.
- Each Restricted Stock Unit converts to 1 share of Common Stock.
- No expiration date but the Restricted Stock Units are fully vested as of the date hereof.

Remarks:

/s/ Ander Krupa, Attorney-in-fact 05/10/2018

** 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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