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**FORM 4**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Priest Jeffrey W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 GENERAL AMERICAN INVESTORS CO INC [GAM]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 GENERAL AMERICAN INVESTORS COMPANY, INC., 530 FIFTH AVE - 26TH FLOOR

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 10/29/2018

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 President & CEO

(Street)  
 NEW YORK, NY 10036

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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)	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)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	10/29/2018		P	1,500 A \$ 33.04	80,726	D	
Common Stock					23,383	I	By Parent <u>(1)</u>
Common Stock					53,405	I	By Power of Attorney <u>(1)</u>
Common					13,778	I	By

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Stock				Nonprofit Trust <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	17,589	I		By Thrift Plan Trust <sup>(2)</sup>
5.95% Preferred Stock	3,200	D		
5.95% Preferred Stock	7,739	I		By Parent <sup>(1)</sup>
5.95% Preferred Stock	16,121	I		By Power of Attorney <sup>(1)</sup>
5.95% Preferred Stock	11,300	I		By Nonprofit Trust <sup>(1)</sup>

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)

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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 3 and 4)
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Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Code	V	(A)	(D)

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

Priest Jeffrey W  
GENERAL AMERICAN INVESTORS COMPANY, INC.  
530 FIFTH AVE - 26TH FLOOR  
NEW YORK, NY 10036

President & CEO

## Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey W.  
Priest

10/29/2018

\_\_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) Mr. Priest has dispositive power but disclaims any beneficial interest in these shares.
  - (2) By Issuer's Employees' Thrift Plan Trust. The undersigned disclaims any beneficial interest in these shares.

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