FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Pedreiro Sergio						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ASHLAND INC. [ ASH ]										tionship all appl Directo	icable)	ng Per	son(s) to Iss		
(Last)	(Fi	rst) (	Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/03/2023									Officer below)	(give title		Other (s below)	pecify		
8145 BLAZER DRIVE					4. If A										6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)						
(Street) WILMIN	NGTON DI	E 1	19808												X		filed by Mor		orting Person n One Repo		
(City)	City) (State) (Zip) Rule 10b5-1(c) Transaction Indication									n											
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	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da					Execution Date,			Coc	Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)			rities Acqu ed Of (D) (Ir	and Securit Benefic		es ially Following	Form (D) o	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
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1. Title of Derivative Conversion Date Security or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any				Transaction Number Code (Instr. of			Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Amount Securiti Underly Derivati				7. Title an Amount o Securities Underlyin Derivative (Instr. 3 au	unt of rities erlying rative Security		Price of rivative curity str. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	у	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	sable	Exp Dat	oiration e	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	1						
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	07/03/2023			A		859		(2)	)		(2)	Common Stock	859	\$	87.31	859		D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Each Restricted Stock Unit (RSU) represents a right to receive one (1) share of Ashland Common Stock.
- 2. Grant of stock-settled Restricted Stock Units granted under Ashland's Omnibus Incentive Plan and deferred under Ashland's Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors, and exempt under Rule 16b-3. The Restricted Stock Units will vest one year after the grant date. (One (1) Restricted Stock Unit in the Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors is the equivalent of one (1) share of Ashland Common Stock.)

/s/ Robin E. Lampkin, Attorney-in-Fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

07/06/2023

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).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

The undersigned hereby appoints Robin E. Lampkin, signing singly, his or her true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) apply for and obtain on behalf of the undersigned the necessary access codes to file Forms 3, 4, 5 and 144, pursuant to Section 16(a)of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 144 of the Securities Act of 1933, respectively, electronically via the EDGAR system pursuant to Regualtion S-T and the rules thereunder, and
- (2) act in a filing agent capacity to perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary to complete the filing of any such Form 3, 4, or 5, and 144 with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission and any other authority in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority, for me and on my behalf, to perform all acts neccessary and proper to be done in the exercise of the rights and powers hereby granted.

The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing individual is acting under this Power of Attorney at the request of the undersigned and are not assuming any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Rule 144 of the Securities Act of 1933.

The attorney-in-fact shall be authorized to act under this Power of Attorney only so long as such attorney-in-fact is a Director of Ashland Inc., or until such time as this Power of Attorney has been revoked, annulled or set aside.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this Power of Attorney as of this 22nd day of June, 2023.

/s/ Sergio Pedreiro