FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  DEMPSEY WILLIAM G					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ASHLAND INC. [ ASH ]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to (Check all applicable)  X Director 109				vner	
(Last) 8145 BL	(Fi AZER DRI	,	(Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/30/2022									Officer (give title below)			specify
(Street) WILMIN (City)	NGTON DI		19808 (Zip)	4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. l	e) X Form	Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable filed by One Reporting Person filed by More than One Reporting n			
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																	
Date			ransaction e nth/Day/Ye	Execution Date,		Code (Ins	on Dis	4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)  Amount (A) or (D)			Securities I Beneficially (		Form (D) o	: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
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/Yea	Date, Trans Code				6. Date Exercisable a Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		ind	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		e   ( s     ally   g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expirat Date	tion	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Common Stock Units	(1)	09/30/2022		J <sup>(2)</sup>		302		(3)	(3)		Common Stock	302	\$94.97	2,578		D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. 1 for 1
- 2. Common Stock Units acquired pursuant to Ashland's Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors (the "Plan") and exempt under Rule 16b-3. (One (1) Common Stock Unit in the Plan is the equivalent of one (1) share of Ashland Common Stock.)
- 3. Subject to any deferral election on timing of distribution by the reporting person under the Plan, the Common Stock Units are payable in Common Stock upon the reporting person's separation from service as a director.

/s/ Babatunde Awodiran,

10/04/2022

Attorney-in-Fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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