

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 * West Michael L	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (MM/DD/YYYY) 11/1/2019	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MOODYS CORP /DE/ [MCO]
(Last) (First) (Middle) 7 WORLD TRADE CENTER, 250 GREENWICH STREET	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) President, Moody's Investors /	
(Street) NEW YORK, NY 10007	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(MM/DD/YYYY)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(City) (State) (Zip)		

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	43914.66	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (MM/DD/YYYY)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	2/12/2017 (1)	2/12/2026	Common Stock	3053	\$80.81	D	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	2/23/2018 (2)	2/23/2027	Common Stock	2594	\$113.34	D	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	2/16/2019 (3)	2/16/2028	Common Stock	3706	\$167.50	D	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	2/25/2020 (4)	2/25/2029	Common Stock	3944	\$173.58	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- The option, representing a right to purchase a total of 12,211 shares, became exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on February 12, 2017. The final installment will vest and become exercisable on February 12, 2020.
- The option, representing a right to purchase a total of 5,187 shares, became exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on February 23, 2018. The final two installments will vest and become exercisable on February 23, 2020 and February 23, 2021.
- The option, representing a right to purchase a total of 3,706 shares, became exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on February 16, 2019. The remaining three installments will vest and become exercisable on February 16, 2020, February 16, 2021 and February 16, 2022.
- The option will vest and become exercisable in four equal annual installments beginning on February 25, 2020.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
West Michael L 7 WORLD TRADE CENTER 250 GREENWICH STREET NEW YORK, NY 10007			President, Moody's Investors	

Signatures

Elizabeth McCarroll by power of attorney for Michael L. West

11/12/2019

—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 5(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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MICHAEL L. WEST

**LIMITED POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR
SECTION 16 REPORTING OBLIGATIONS**

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby makes, constitutes and appoints each of John J. Goggins and Elizabeth McCarroll, each acting individually, as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact, with full power and authority as hereinafter described on behalf of and in the name, place and stead of the undersigned to:

- (1) prepare, execute in the undersigned's name and on the undersigned's behalf, and submit to the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") a Form ID, including amendments thereto, and any other documents necessary or appropriate to obtain codes and passwords enabling the undersigned to make electronic filings with the SEC of reports required by Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, as amended from time to time (the "Exchange Act") or any rule or regulation of the SEC;
- (2) prepare, execute, acknowledge, deliver and file Forms 3, 4, and 5 (including any amendments thereto) with respect to the securities of Moody's Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), with the SEC, any national securities exchanges and the Company, as considered necessary or advisable under Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act;
- (3) seek or obtain, as the undersigned's representative and on the undersigned's behalf, information on transactions in the Company's securities from any third party, including brokers, employee benefit plan administrators and trustees, and the undersigned hereby authorizes any such person to release any such information to the undersigned and approves and ratifies any such release of information; and
- (4) perform any and all other acts which in the discretion of such attorney-in-fact are necessary or desirable for and on behalf of the undersigned in connection with the foregoing.

The undersigned acknowledges that:

- (1) this Power of Attorney authorizes, but does not require, each such attorney-in-fact to act in their discretion on information provided to such attorney-in-fact without independent verification of such information;
- (2) any documents prepared and/or executed by any such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney will be in such form and will contain such information and disclosure as such attorney-in-fact, in his or her discretion, deems necessary or desirable;
- (3) neither the Company nor any of such attorneys-in-fact assumes (i) any liability for the undersigned's responsibility to comply with the requirement of the Exchange Act, (ii) any liability of the undersigned for any failure to comply with such requirements, or (iii) any obligation or liability of the undersigned for profit disgorgement under Section 16(b) of the Exchange Act; and
- (4) this Power of Attorney does not relieve the undersigned from responsibility for compliance with the undersigned's obligations under the Exchange Act, including without limitation the reporting requirements under Section 16 of the Exchange Act. The undersigned hereby gives and grants each of the foregoing attorneys-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary or appropriate to be done in and about the foregoing matters as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if present, hereby ratifying all that each such attorney-in-fact of, for and on behalf of the undersigned, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Limited Power of Attorney.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to each such attorney-in-fact. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 4th day of October, 2019.

/s/Michael L. West
Signature

Michael L. West
Print Name