

FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN 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 * McDonough Paul H. (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CNO FINANCIAL GROUP, INC., 11299 ILLINOIS STREET, SUITE 200 (Street) CARMEL, IN 46032 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CNO Financial Group, Inc. [CNO] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY) 2/10/2026 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) ____ Director _____ 10% Owner ☒ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) Chief Financial Officer 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) ☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person ____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. 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	2/10/2026		A		42,309	A	\$43.05	237,776.077	D	
Common Stock	2/10/2026		F		15,374	D	\$43.05	222,402.077	D	
Restricted Stock Units	2/10/2026		A		25,600	A	\$0	248,002.077	D	

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

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. 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		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 of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Shares were acquired upon the vesting of performance share units for the 2023-2025 performance period, based on the issuer's (i) 2023 operating return on equity, (ii) 2023 operating earnings per share and (iii) three-year relative total shareholder return for 2023-2025.
- (2) Shares were surrendered to the issuer to cover the required tax withholding on the vested performance share units.
- (3) Restricted stock units convert into common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (4) The restricted stock units vest in three equal annual installments beginning March 25, 2027, subject to continued employment with the issuer or one of its subsidiaries.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
McDonough Paul H. C/O CNO FINANCIAL GROUP, INC. 11299 ILLINOIS STREET, SUITE 200 CARMEL, IN 46032			Chief Financial Officer	

Signatures

Heidi M. Krings, Attorney-in-Fact

2/12/2026

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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