FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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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*  Siemers William R  (Last) (First) (Middle)  C/O ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN |   |  |        |   | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN HOLDING L.P. [ AB ]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/10/2021 |  |                       |                   |   |   |  |  |        | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner  X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  SVP, Controller & CAO |  |                                       |   |  |   |
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| (Street)  NASHVILLE TN 37203  (City) (State) (Zip)  |   |  |        |   |  | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) |                       |                   |   |   |  |  |        | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person              |  |                                       |   |  |   |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned                            |   |  |        |   |  |  |                       |                   |   |   |  |  |        |   |  |                                       |   |  |   |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Y   |   |  |        |   | Year)  | Execution Date,  |                       | "                 | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8)   |   | 4. Securities Acquired (A) o<br>Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a |  |        | nd 5) Securities  Beneficially  Owned Following   |  | ies<br>ially<br>Following             | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) |  | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership                          |
|   |   |  |        |   |  |  |                       | Ì                 | Code  | v | Amount   | (A) or<br>(D)  | Price  |   | Reporte<br>Transac<br>(Instr. 3  | ction(s)                              |   |  | (Instr. 4)  |
| AB Holding Units <sup>(1)</sup> 12/10/20  |   |  |        | 12/10/20  | 21   |  |                       |                   | A <sup>(2)</sup>  |   | 2,699(2)   | A  | \$50.9 | <b>)</b> 4 <sup>(3)</sup>   | 26,672   |                                       | I   |  | by rabbi<br>trust<br>under<br>employee<br>incentive<br>comp<br>plan |
|   |   | Tal  | ble II | l - Derivati<br>(e.g., pu   |  |  |                       |                   |   |   | oosed of,<br>convertib   |  |        |   | Owne   | d                                     |   |  |   |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)   | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | Date (Month/Day/Year)   Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)   (Month/Day/Year)   Security   Sec |        | Deriv<br>Secu<br>Acqu<br>(A) or<br>Dispo<br>of (D)<br>(Instr<br>and 5 | ative<br>rities<br>ired<br>osed  | Expi<br>(Mor   | iration D<br>nth/Day/ | Year)  Expiration | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Inst 3 and 4)  Amour or Numbe of Title Shares |   | De<br>See<br>(In:  | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4) |        | ly  | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |   |  |   |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Units representing assignments of beneficial ownership of limited partnership interests in AllianceBernstein Holding L.P. ("AB Holding Units")
- 2. Reporting Person's 2021 long-term incentive compensation award, which was approved by the Compensation and Workplace Practices Committee of the Board as of December 10, 2021, was made in the form of AB Holding Units. Reporting Person therefore may be deemed to have acquired 2,699 AB Holding Units. These AB Holding Units are held in a rabbi trust under AllianceBernstein's incentive compensation award program until they vest and are delivered to the Reporting Person. The award vests, subject to various agreements and covenants set forth in the applicable award agreement, in equal annual increments on each of December 1, 2022, 2023 and 2024.
- 3. Closing price of an AB Holding Unit (NYSE: AB) on the grant date (December 10, 2021).

## Remarks:

/s/ Bill Siemers 12/14/2021 /s/ David Lesser, by pwr. of 12/14/2021 att'v

\*\* 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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