

ASSURED GUARANTY LTD

Form 4

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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
ROSS WILBUR L JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ASSURED GUARANTY LTD  
[AGO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
05/09/2012

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

1166 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

NEW YORK, NY 10036

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)<br>Code V Amount (D) Price                             |   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 05/09/2012                           |  | A                              | 7,675 A   | 23,969  | D  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 19,835,370  | I  | See Footnotes (2) (3) (4)         |

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

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**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/Year) | 4. Transaction 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 (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Beneficially (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares                                       |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| ROSS WILBUR L JR<br>1166 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS<br>NEW YORK, NY 10036 | X             | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/Wilbur L.  
Ross, Jr. 05/11/2012

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* 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).
- (1) Restricted stock awarded to non-management directors as an annual retainer equity award pursuant to the Assured Guaranty Ltd. 2004 Long Term Incentive Plan, which become non-forfeitable on the day immediately prior to the 2013 annual shareholders meeting.
  - (2) These shares are held by the following funds: 432,149 by Fund IV, 1,471 by Parallel Fund, 20,881 by WLR/GS Fund and 9,683 by Co-Invest Fund; the aggregate total includes shares owned by the entities listed in footnotes 3 and 4.  
  
Fund IV holds 16,505,636 shares directly. Fund III holds 1,348,803 shares directly. Parallel Fund holds 56,714 shares directly. WLR/GS Fund holds 779,089 shares directly. Co-Invest Fund holds 1,125,128 shares directly. Mr. Ross is the managing member of El Vedado, LLC, the general partner of WL Ross Group, L.P., the managing member of WLR Recovery Associates IV LLC (the general partner of Fund IV and Co-Invest Fund), WLR Recovery Associates III LLC (the general partner of Fund III) and WLR Master Co-Investment GP, LLC (the general partner of WLR/GS Fund). (Continued in footnote 4)
  - (3) Accordingly, Mr. Ross, El Vedado, LLC, and WL Ross Group, L.P. can be deemed to share voting and dispositive power over the shares held directly by Fund IV, Co-Invest Fund, Fund III and WLR/GS Fund. Invesco WLR IV Associates LLC and WLR Recovery Associates IV LLC have entered into a parallel investment agreement whereby Parallel Fund will invest on a pro rata basis in the same investments as Fund IV. Accordingly, Mr. Ross, El Vedado, LLC, and WL Ross Group, L.P. can be deemed to share voting and dispositive power over the shares held directly by Parallel Fund.

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