ENSIGN GROUP, INC Form 4

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Nackel John G.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

ENSIGN GROUP, INC [ENSG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

(Last)

(City)

Common

Stock

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

03/22/2017

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

below)

27101 PUERTA REAL, SUITE 450 (Street)

(State)

03/22/2017

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

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

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MISSION VIEJO, CA 92691

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

186

 $A^{(1)}$

A

D

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)

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1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4.	5.	6. Date Exercises Date Expiration Da		7. Title and	8. Price of	9. Nu Derix
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	5		Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Nackel John G. 27101 PUERTA REAL, SUITE 450 MISSION VIEJO, CA 92691	X						

Signatures

/s/ Chad A. Keetch, as power of attorney

03/24/2017

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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) The purchases reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted on February 17, 2017.

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