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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Port Barry

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Last)

(City)

1(b).

(First) (Middle)

(Zip)

ENSIGN GROUP, INC [ENSG] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

27101 PUERTA REAL, SUITE 450

(Street)

(State)

(Month/Day/Year) 09/06/2017

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

Vice President

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

MISSION VIEJO, CA 92691

(City)	(State)	Table 1 - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securi	ties A	cquired	5. Amount of	6.	7. Nature of		
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	on(A) or D	ispose	d of (D)	Securities	Ownership	Indirect		
(Instr. 3)		any	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially	Form: Direct	Beneficial			
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	(D) or	Ownership		
							Following	Indirect (I)	(Instr. 4)		
					(4)		Reported	(Instr. 4)			
					(A)		Transaction(s)				
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common Stock	09/06/2017		S(1)	177	D	\$ 20.894	124,840	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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)			ate	7. Title Amoun Under	int of lying ities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene
	Derivative Security				Securities Acquired			(Instr.	3 and 4)		Owne Follo
					(A) or Disposed						Repo Trans
					of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						(Instr
					4, and 3)				Amount		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	or Number of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Port Barry

27101 PUERTA REAL, SUITE 450 MISSION VIEJO, CA 92691 Vice President

Signatures

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

09/08/2017

**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) The transactions reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted on November 30, 2016.

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