

Keetch Chad  
Form 4  
November 07, 2018

**FORM 4**

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

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Keetch Chad

(Last) (First) (Middle)

27101 PUERTA REAL, SUITE 450

(Street)

MISSION VIEJO, CA 92691

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
ENSIGN GROUP, INC [ENSG]

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

11/05/2018

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Executive VP and Secretary

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

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	11/05/2018		M	3,124	A \$ 11.49	70,892	D
Common Stock	11/05/2018		M	60,915	A \$ 12.85	131,807	D
Common Stock	11/05/2018		S <sup>(1)</sup>	47,957	D \$ 44.6933	83,850	D
Common Stock	11/05/2018		S <sup>(1)</sup>	15,382	D \$ 45.4926	68,468	D
	11/05/2018		S <sup>(1)</sup>	700	D	67,768	D

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Common Stock \$ 46.2081  
(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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Common Stock	\$ 11.49	11/05/2018		M		3,124		10/29/2014 <sup>(5)</sup>	10/29/2023	Common Stock	3,124
Common Stock	\$ 12.85	11/05/2018		M		60,915		05/29/2015 <sup>(6)</sup>	05/29/2024	Common Stock	60,915

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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27101 PUERTA REAL  
SUITE 450  
MISSION VIEJO, CA 92691

Executive VP and Secretary

## Signatures

/s/ Chad A.  
Keetch 11/07/2018

\*\*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).

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- (1) The transactions reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted on June 13, 2018.

This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$44.09 to \$45.075. The price above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request by the commission staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

- (3) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$45.095 to \$45.96. The price above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request by the commission staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

- (4) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$46.115 to \$46.49. The price above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request by the commission staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

- (5) The option, representing a right to purchase a total of 3,666 shares, was granted on October 29, 2013, and became exercisable in five equal annual installments beginning on October 29, 2014, which was the first anniversary of the date on which the option was granted.

- (6) The option, representing a right to purchase a total of 73,320 shares, was granted on May 29, 2014, and became exercisable in five equal annual installments beginning on May 29, 2014, which was the first anniversary of the date on which the option was granted.

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