

GEO GROUP INC
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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 *
Venturella David J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

621 NW 53RD STREET, SUITE 700

(Street)

BOCA RATON, FL 33487

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
GEO GROUP INC [GEO]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/01/2017

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)

SVP-Business Development

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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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)	
			Code	V	Amount or Price			
Restricted Stock	03/01/2017		A		10,000 (1)	A	\$ 0 30,625 (2)	D
Common Stock	03/01/2017		D		1,061 (3)	D	\$ 0 11,229 (2)	D
Common Stock	03/03/2017		F		2,197 (4)	D	\$ 48.4 9,032	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)

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 Beneficially Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6)
				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
Venturella David J 621 NW 53RD STREET SUITE 700 BOCA RATON, FL 33487			SVP-Business Development	

Signatures

/s/John J. Bulfin, as Attorney-in-Fact for David J. Venturella 03/06/2017

__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) Vesting of this grant of restricted stock of GEO is contingent upon the achievement by GEO of certain performance-based metrics during the period from January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2019 as certified by the compensation committee. Under the terms of the restricted stock grant, these shares will vest on March 10, 2020 to the extent the performance goals are achieved. Of the grant of restricted stock, 50% is subject to vesting based on GEO's total shareholder return over a three-year period and 50% is subject to vesting based on certain return on capital employed performance goals being met.
 - (2) The amount of shares has been adjusted to reflect the March 1, 2017 vesting of 6,439 shares of restricted stock and the forfeiture of 1,061 shares of restricted stock based on the results of the performance-based metrics of the restricted stock during the period from January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2016.
 - (3) The amount of shares reflects the forfeiture of 1,061 shares of restricted stock based on the results of the performance based metrics of the restricted stock during the period from January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2016.
 - (4) These shares were surrendered in order to satisfy the reporting person's tax withholding obligation upon the vesting of restricted stock.

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