

Willdan Group, Inc.
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FORM 4

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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 *
 McLaughlin Stacy B.

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 2401 EAST KATELLA AVENUE, SUITE 300
 (Street)

ANAHEIM, CA 92806

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Willdan Group, Inc. [WLDN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/08/2017

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 ___X___ Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 Chief Financial Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 ___X___ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 (A) or (D) Price		
Common Stock	03/08/2017		A		1,333 (1) \$ 0	4,569 (2)	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 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. Filing Date
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 28.19	03/08/2017		A	6,667	(3) 03/08/2027	Common Stock	6,667

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
McLaughlin Stacy B. 2401 EAST KATELLA AVENUE SUITE 300 ANAHEIM, CA 92806			Chief Financial Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Stacy B.
McLaughlin
03/10/2017
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 restricted stock award vests in three substantially equal installments on each of March 8, 2018, March 8, 2019 and March 8, 2020.
- (2) Includes 3,236 shares acquired pursuant to the Issuer's employee stock purchase plan.
- (3) The option becomes exercisable in three substantially equal installments on each of March 8, 2018, March 8, 2019 and March 8, 2020.

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