

Benefitfocus, 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 *
ALPERN MILTON

(Last) (First) (Middle)

100 BENEFITFOCUS WAY

(Street)

CHARLESTON, SC 29492

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Benefitfocus, Inc. [BNFT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
11/27/2015

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
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	11/27/2015		M		5,000	A	\$ 8.11
Common Stock	11/27/2015		S ⁽¹⁾		5,000	D	\$ 40.52
							(2)

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. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 8.11	11/27/2015		M ⁽¹⁾	5,000	⁽³⁾ 01/08/2022	Common Stock	5,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.33					⁽⁴⁾ 06/30/2022	Common Stock	12,115
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 10.3					⁽⁵⁾ 09/30/2022	Common Stock	2,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ALPERN MILTON 100 BENEFITFOCUS WAY CHARLESTON, SC 29492			Chief Financial Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Donald R. Reynolds,
Attorney-in-Fact

12/01/2015

__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) This exercise and sale was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on August 19, 2015 and modified on November 12, 2015 effective on November 27, 2015.
- (2) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$40.21 to \$40.72. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the

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issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transactions were effected.

- This option was granted on January 9, 2012 and vests over a four-year period with one-fourth (1/4) of the option granted vesting on
- (3) January 9, 2013, the first anniversary of the vesting commencement date, and the balance of the option granted vesting ratably on a monthly basis over the following 36 months.

- This option was granted on July 1, 2012 and vests over a four-year period with one-fourth (1/4) of the option granted vesting on January
- (4) 9, 2013, the first anniversary of the vesting commencement date, and the balance of the option granted vesting ratably on a monthly basis over the following 36 months.

- This option was granted on October 1, 2012 and vests over a four-year period with one-fourth (1/4) of the option granted vesting on
- (5) October 1, 2013, the first anniversary of the vesting commencement date, and the balance of the option granted vesting ratably on a monthly basis over the following 36 months.

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