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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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| Instruction 1(b). | |

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| X | Director | |
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| X | Officer (give title below) Chief Executive O | Other (specify below) ifficer |
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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. Transa Code (8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
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| | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | (1130. 4) |
| Common Stock | 07/26/2018 | | J | v | 2,857(1) | Α | \$7.44 ⁽²⁾ | 205,352 | D | |
| Common Stock | 01/02/2019 | | A | | 75,000 ⁽³⁾ | Α | \$ <mark>0</mark> | 280,352 | D | |
| Common Stock | 01/03/2019 | | S | | 11,024 ⁽⁴⁾⁽⁵⁾⁽⁶⁾ | D | \$9.46 | 269,328 | D | |

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. Transa Code (8) | | 5. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr and 5 | ative rities ired osed | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | Expiration Date Amount of | | | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---|---|--|---|------------------------------|---|--|---------------------------------|--|--------------------|---------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents shares of Photronics, Inc. common stock purchased under the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

2. The purchase price of the shares pursuant to the Employee Stock Purchase Plan is 85% of the fair market value (the "Closing Price") of the common stock of the Company on the purchase date of the applicable purchase period as defined in the offering plan documents.

3. 25% of the restricted stock awards granted will vest on each anniversary date of the grant over 4 years.

4. The sale reported on this Form 4 was effected pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by Mr. Kirlin.

5. Net proceeds of sale to offset a tax liability from restricted stock vesting.

6. This transaction was executed in multiple trades. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and the prices at which the transaction was effected.

| <u>/s/ Richelle E. Burr, Attorney-</u> in-Fact for Mr. Kirlin | 01/04/2019 |
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| ** Signature of Reporting Person | Date |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* 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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