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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Wang Maoji

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

Professional Diversity Network, Inc.

(Check all applicable)

Chief Executive Officer

[IPDN]

(Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director X_ Officer (give title below)

Other (specify

10% Owner

C/O PROFESSIONAL DIVERSITY NETWORK, INC., 801 W. ADAMS,

(Street)

SIXTH FLOOR

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

11/20/2017

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CHICAGO,, IL 60607

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Middle)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Securities Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) (D) Price

Common Stock, par

value \$0.01

11/20/2017

Code V Amount 17,500 A

48,830

D

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year) tive ies ed ed		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8 I S (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.99					<u>(1)</u>	12/22/2026	Common Stock	210,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

X

Chief Executive Officer

Wang Maoji

C/O PROFESSIONAL DIVERSITY NETWORK, INC.

801 W. ADAMS, SIXTH FLOOR

CHICAGO,, IL 60607

Signatures

/s/ Jiangping (Gary) Xiao, Attorney-in-Fact

**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).
- The option vests in accordance with the following schedule: (i) 1/3 of the shares underlying the option vested immediately on the date of grant (December 22, 2016), (ii) 1/3 of the shares underlying the option will vest on December 22, 2017, and (iii) 1/3 of the shares underlying the option will vest on December 22, 2018.

Remarks:

The reporting person holds a minority equity interest in Cosmic Forward Limited ("CFL"), which directly owns common stock Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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