

Venturella David J
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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

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
621 NW 53RD STREET, SUITE 700
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/01/2018

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
SVP-Business Development

BOCA RATON, FL 33487

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

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

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)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Restricted Stock	03/01/2018		D	672 ⁽¹⁾ D \$ 0	45,000 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2018		F	4,779 ⁽³⁾ D \$ 21.3	23,721 ⁽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)

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 Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 5)
				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 Ann M. Schlarb
 03/05/2018
 **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) The amount of shares reflects the forfeiture of 672 shares of restricted stock based on the results of the performance based metrics of the restricted stock during the period from January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2017.
- (2) The amount of shares has been adjusted to reflect the March 1, 2018 vesting of 14,328 shares of restricted stock.
- (3) 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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