

MKS INSTRUMENTS INC

Form 4

February 16, 2017

FORM 4
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Abrams John R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2 TECH DRIVE, SUITE 201

(Street)

ANDOVER, MA 01810

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

MKS INSTRUMENTS INC [MKSI]

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

02/15/2017

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 ____ Other (specify
below) below)

Sr. VP, Global Sales & Service

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	02/15/2017		M		1,745	A	11 8,559.602
Common Stock	02/15/2017		M		1,418	A	11 9,977.602
Common Stock	02/15/2017		M		2,608.635	A	11 12,586.237
Common Stock	02/15/2017		M		2,006	A	11 14,592.237
Common Stock	02/15/2017		F(2)		2,526	D	\$ 12,066.237
							67.7

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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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Restricted Stock Unit	(1)	02/15/2017		A	6,646.972	(3)	(3)	Common Stock
Restricted Stock Unit	(1)	02/15/2017		A	4,431.315	(4)	(4)	Common Stock
Restricted Stock Unit	(1)	02/15/2017		M	1,745	(5)	(5)	Common Stock
Restricted Stock Unit	(1)	02/15/2017		M	1,418	(6)	(6)	Common Stock
Restricted Stock Unit	(1)	02/15/2017		M	2,608.635	(7)	(7)	Common Stock
Restricted Stock Unit	(1)	02/15/2017		M	2,006	(8)	(8)	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Abrams John R 2 TECH DRIVE, SUITE 201 ANDOVER, MA 01810	Sr. VP, Global Sales & Service

Signatures

/s/ M. Kathryn Rickards,
attorney-in-fact 02/16/2017

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Each restricted stock unit represents the contingent right to receive one share of common stock of MKS Instruments, Inc.

(2) This transaction was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan previously adopted by the reporting person.

These RSUs are subject to the achievement of performance criteria determined in the first year of grant and thereafter vest in three equal

(3) annual installments beginning on February 15, 2018, provided that if, in any vesting year, February 15th is not a business day, such vesting shall occur on the next business day.

(4) These RSUs vest in three equal annual installments commencing on February 15, 2018, provided that if, in any vesting year, February 15th is not a business day, such vesting shall occur on the next business day.

These RSUs are subject to the achievement of performance criteria determined in the first year of grant and thereafter vest in three equal

(5) annual installments beginning on February 15, 2016, provided that if, in any vesting year, February 15th is not a business day, such vesting shall occur on the next business day.

(6) These RSUs vest in three equal annual installments commencing on February 15, 2016, provided that if, in any vesting year, February 15th is not a business day, such vesting shall occur on the next business day.

These RSUs are subject to the achievement of performance criteria determined in the first year of grant and thereafter vest in three equal

(7) annual installments beginning on February 15, 2017, provided that if, in any vesting year, February 15th is not a business day, such vesting shall occur on the next business day.

(8) These RSUs vest in three equal annual installments commencing on February 15, 2017, provided that if, in any vesting year, February 15th is not a business day, such vesting shall occur on the next business day.

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