

Taylor Matthew Freeman
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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 *
 Taylor Matthew Freeman

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1081 WOODWARD WAY
 (Street)

FORT COLLINS, CO 80615

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Woodward, Inc. [WWD]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 04/26/2018

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 President, Airframe Systems

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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. 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 |
| Woodward, Inc. Common Stock | 04/26/2018 | | M | | 4,000 | A | \$ 18.67 8,297 |
| Woodward, Inc. Common Stock | 04/26/2018 | | S | | 4,000 | D | \$ 73.2527 4,297 |
| Woodward, Inc. Common Stock | | | | | | | 3,423.21 I (2) |

By Woodward Retirement Savings

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 (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) |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 18.67 | 04/26/2018 | | M | 4,000 | 11/24/2009 ⁽³⁾ 11/24/2018 ⁽³⁾ | Woodward Inc. Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Taylor Matthew Freeman 1081 WOODWARD WAY FORT COLLINS, CO 80615 | | | President, Airframe Systems | |

Signatures

Rebecca L. Dees, by Power of Attorney
04/27/2018
**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 reporting person executed a trade order through a broker-dealer which resulted in multiple same day, same way open market purchases, with prices ranging from \$73.2505 to \$73.27 per share. The reporting person has reported these purchases on an aggregate basis using the weighted average price for the transactions. The reporting person undertakes to provide, upon request by the Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the Company or a security holder of the Company, full information regarding the number of shares

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purchased at each separate price.

The information in this report regarding the number of shares held by the reporting person in the Woodward Retirement Savings Plan (the

- (2) "Plan") is based on a calculation as of April 26, 2018 and includes 192.21 shares acquired under the Plan since the date of the reporting person's last Form 4 with Table I reporting.
- (3) Options, which expire November 24, 2018, became exercisable as to 25% of the shares on November 24, 2009 and each one-year anniversary thereafter.

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