

FORM 5

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Form 3 Holdings Reported.

Form 4 Transactions Reported.

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Christensen Roy E</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) 27101 PUERTA REAL, SUITE 450 (Street) MISSION VIEJO CA 92691 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ENSIGN GROUP, INC [ENSG]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) <p style="text-align: center;">Chairman of the Board</p>
	3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2018	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

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 at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	04/18/2018		G	25,000	D	\$0	1,005,912	I	Christensen Family Trust dated 8/17/92 ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock	04/23/2018		G	20,000	D	\$0	985,912	I	Christensen Family Trust dated 8/17/92 ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock	10/05/2018		G	1,000	D	\$0	984,912	I	Christensen Family Trust dated 8/17/92 ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock	10/05/2018		G	2,000	D	\$0	982,912	I	Christensen Family Trust dated 8/17/92 ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock	11/16/2018		G	10,000	D	\$0	972,912	I	Christensen Family Trust dated 8/17/92 ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock	12/20/2018		G	5,000	D	\$0	967,912	I	Christensen Family Trust dated 8/17/92 ⁽¹⁾

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	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)
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					

Explanation of Responses:

1. These shares are directly owned by the Christensen Family Trust dated 8/17/92, as ten percent owner of the issuer, and indirectly owned by Roy E. Christensen and Carol M. Christensen as trustees of the trust. Roy E. Christensen is a director, officer and ten percent owner of the issuer, Carol M. Christensen is a ten percent owner of the issuer.

Remarks:

/s/ Chad A. Keetch, as power
of attorney 02/14/2019

** 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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