Willdan Group, Inc. Form 4 March 30, 2017

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Brisbin Thomas Donald Issuer Symbol Willdan Group, Inc. [WLDN] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction X_ Director (Month/Day/Year) 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title _X_ Other (specify 2401 EAST KATELLA 03/30/2017 below) below) **AVENUE, SUITE 300** Chief Executive Officer / Chairman of the **Board**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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(State) (Zip) (City) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficial Code Beneficially (D) or (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) Following (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code Amount (D) Price Common 03/30/2017 M 100,000 185,465 ⁽¹⁾ D Stock

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)

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day)	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.3	03/30/2017		M	100,000	(2)	04/02/2017	Common Stock	100,000

Relationships

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	*				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Brisbin Thomas Donald 2401 EAST KATELLA AVENUE SUITE 300 ANAHEIM, CA 92806	X		Chief Executive Officer	Chairman of the Board	

Signatures

/s/ Stacy McLaughlin Attorney-in-Fact for Thomas D.

Brisbin

03/30/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Includes 40,000 shares of restricted stock that vest in three substantially equal installments on each of May 4, 2017, May 4, 2018 and May 4, 2019.
- (2) The option became exercisable in three substantially equal installments on each of April 2, 2008, April 2, 2009, and April 2, 2010.

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