AWARE INC /MA/ Form 4 July 06, 2017

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Last)

Security

(Instr. 3)

Common

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Ronin Capital, LLC

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

AWARE INC /MA/ [AWRE] (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Code

(Instr. 8)

Director 10% Owner Officer (give title

(Check all applicable)

350 N. ORLEANS STREET, SUITE

(Street)

(First)

07/03/2017

(Month/Day/Year)

below)

Other (specify

2N

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

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Form filed by One Reporting Person X Form filed by More than One Reporting

CHICAGO, IL 60654-1975

(City) (State) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

07/03/2017

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 3.

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership

(Instr. 4)

(9-02)

(A) or

Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Following

Code V

(Month/Day/Year)

Amount (D) Price 5,000 \$0 M

(1)

3,258,508

(1)

 $D^{(2)}$

(Instr. 4)

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Unrestricted Stock Award (Right to Acquire)	\$ 0 (1)	07/03/2017		M	5,000	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	5,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Ronin Capital, LLC 350 N. ORLEANS STREET SUITE 2N CHICAGO, IL 60654-1975		X				
STAFFORD JOHN S III 350 N. ORLEANS STREET SUITE 2N CHICAGO, IL 60654-1975	X	X				
Signatures						
/s/ Agnes Burda, authorized signatory ***Signature of Reporting Person		07/06/201′	7			
_Signature of Reporting Person		Date				
/s/ John S. Stafford, III		07/06/2017	7			
**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) On July 3, 2017, Mr. Stafford received 5,000 shares of unrestricted common stock, which were previously granted on February 27, 2017 subject to his continued service as a director, officer or employee of the Company.
- The reported shares of common stock of Aware Inc. are held in a Class C Capital Account of John S. Stafford, III at Ronin Capital, LLC ("Ronin"), a limited liability company owned and managed by Mr. Stafford. Mr. Stafford is the indirect beneficial owner of all of the shares of common stock of Aware Inc. held of record by Ronin. The rights to purchase shares, pursuant to the Unrestricted Stock Award were granted to Mr. Stafford.

Reporting Owners 2

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