

MINICUCCI ROBERT A
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
MINICUCCI ROBERT A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ALLIANCE DATA SYSTEMS CORP [ADS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 700

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
08/21/2018

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

(Street)
PLANO, TX 75024

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

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 08/21/2018 | | J ⁽¹⁾ | 2,388 D \$ 0 | 125,144 ⁽²⁾ | D | |

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 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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 5) |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| MINICUCCI ROBERT A 7500 DALLAS PARKWAY, SUITE 700 PLANO, TX 75024 | | X | | |

Signatures

Cynthia L. Hageman, Attorney
in Fact 08/22/2018

__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) 2,388 shares of common stock represented by restricted stock units were granted to the reporting person on 7/1/08 as compensation for his service on the Company's board of directors. Per the terms of the grant agreement, the restrictions on 100% of the shares lapsed on 7/2/18. The reporting person transferred the shares to WCAS Management Corp. based on an agreement between the reporting person and WCAS specifying WCAS' right to the shares based on the reporting person's employment by WCAS at the time such grant was made.
- The total amount of securities beneficially owned includes: (a) 102,723 unrestricted shares; (b) 3,452 unvested restricted stock units granted 7/1/09; (c) 4,404 unvested restricted stock units granted 6/30/10; (d) 3,246 unvested restricted stock units granted 6/30/11; (e) (2) 2,279 unvested restricted stock units granted 6/29/12; (f) 1,696 unvested restricted stock units granted 7/1/13; (g) 1,228 unvested restricted stock units granted 7/1/14; (h) 1,158 unvested restricted stock units granted 6/29/15; (i) 1,681 unvested restricted stock units granted 6/27/16; (j) 1,477 unvested restricted stock units granted 6/26/17; and (k) 1,800 unvested restricted stock units granted 6/25/18.

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