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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading RENKEN KEITH Issuer Symbol Willdan Group, Inc. [WLDN] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title 2401 EAST KATELLA 04/12/2017 below) AVE, SUITE 300 4. If Amendment, Date Original (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting ANAHEIM, CA 92806 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| | | - Table | 1 - 14011-10 | erranve secu | Titles Acq | lan ca, Disposca (| n, or belieffcial | ly Owned |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|--|------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1.Title of Security | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. Transactio | 4. Securities Acquired ion(A) or Disposed of | | 5. Amount of Securities | 6. Ownership Form: Direct | 7. Nature of Indirect |
| (Instr. 3) | | any | Code | (D) | | Beneficially | (D) or | Beneficial |
| | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | (Instr. 3, 4 an | d 5) | Owned | Indirect (I) | Ownership |
| | | | | | | Following | (Instr. 4) | (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | (A | ` | Reported | | |
| | | | | 10 | | Transaction(s) | | |
| | | | Code V | Amount (D | | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| Common Stock | 04/12/2017 | | M | 2,000 A | \$ 9.28 | 37,183 <u>(1)</u> | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 80,400 (2) | I | See footnote 3. (3) |

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number on 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 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 9.28 | 04/12/2017 | | M | 2,000 | <u>(4)</u> | 06/12/2017 | Common Stock | 2,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|
| • • | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| RENKEN KEITH 2401 EAST KATELLA AVE SUITE 300 ANAHEIM, CA 92806 | X | | | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Stacy McLaughlin Attorney-in-Fact for Keith Renken

Date

04/13/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person

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 4,583 shares that vest in three substantially equal installments on each of June 9, 2017, June 9, 2018 and June 9, 2019 and includes 2,400 shares that vest in two equal installments on each of June 5, 2017 and June 5, 2018.
- (2) Includes 2,500 shares that were previously omitted, as reflected in the reporting person's amended Form 4, filed on January 17, 2017.
- (3) The shares are held by the LVRJC Partnership. The reporting person is the managing partner of the partnership and has sole voting and investment control over the shares of common stock held therein.
- (4) The option became exercisable in two equal installments on each of June 12, 2008 and June 12, 2009.

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