

SIGNATURE GROUP HOLDINGS, INC.
 Form 4
 August 09, 2013

FORM 4

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

OMB APPROVAL

OMB Number: 3235-0287
 Expires: January 31, 2005
 Estimated average burden hours per response... 0.5

Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Maheshwari Raj

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O SIGNATURE GROUP HOLDINGS, INC., 15303 VENTURA BLVD, SUITE 1600

(Street)

SHERMAN OAKS, CA 91403

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

SIGNATURE GROUP HOLDINGS, INC. [SGGH]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 08/08/2013

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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

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

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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 08/08/2013 | | A | | 24,805 (1) | A | \$ 0 46,955 |
| | | | | | | D | |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

SEC 1474 (9-02)

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

Edgar Filing: SIGNATURE GROUP HOLDINGS, INC. - Form 4

| 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. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Maheshwari Raj
 C/O SIGNATURE GROUP HOLDINGS, INC.
 15303 VENTURA BLVD, SUITE 1600
 SHERMAN OAKS, CA 91403

X

Signatures

/s/ Kelly G. Howard, Esq., attorney-in-fact for Raj Maheshwari

08/09/2013

__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).

Shares of restricted common stock were issued under the Amended and Restated Signature Group Holdings, Inc. 2006 Performance Incentive Plan by the Board of Directors to Mr. Maheshwari as the restricted stock portion of his compensation as an independent director. Independent directors receive an annual grant of restricted stock each calendar year, pro-rated for the date on which Board

(1) service began in such year (for Mr. Maheshwari, July 16, 2013), in an amount equal to \$75,000 divided by the closing price of the Company's stock on the day prior to issuance. Such shares will vest in full on January 1, 2014. Vesting will be accelerated in the event of a change in control, death or disability of Mr. Maheshwari or in the event Mr. Maheshwari is not re-elected to the Board or is not nominated for election to the Board by the Company after indicating a willingness to serve.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.