

DeSena John C.  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
DeSena John C.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
NATIONAL HOLDINGS CORP  
[NHLD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Chief Operating Officer

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
200 VESEY STREET, 25TH FLOOR  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
11/01/2018

NEW YORK, NY 10281

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	12/27/2018		M		6,250	A	12,440
Common Stock	12/27/2018		F		2,124	D	\$ 3.2

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)

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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	11/01/2018		A	178,615	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	178,615
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	12/27/2018		M	6,250	(4)	(4)	Common Stock	6,250

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DeSena John C. 200 VESEY STREET 25TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10281			Chief Operating Officer	

## Signatures

/s/ John C.  
DeSena  
01/31/2019  
Date

\*\*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) Each restricted stock unit converted into one share of National Holdings Corporation (the "Company") common stock.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Company's common stock.  
Fifty percent of the restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning November 01, 2019. Such vested shares will be delivered to the reporting person annually in accordance to the vesting delivery schedule. Twenty-five percent of the restricted stock units
- (3) vest upon the Company first achieving certain market capitalization milestones for 30 consecutive trading days, and 25% vest upon certification by the Company's Compensation Committee that the Company first achieved certain adjusted EBITDA milestones at the end of a fiscal year.
- (4) On July 19, 2017, the reporting person was granted 75,000 restricted stock units. Twenty-five percent of these restricted stock units vest upon certification by the Company's Compensation Committee that the Company first achieved certain adjusted EBITDA milestones at the end of a fiscal year. In December 2018, the Compensation Committee certified that the Company achieved its first adjusted EBITDA milestone at the end of the fiscal year ending September 30, 2018.

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