

Woodward, Inc.
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FORM 4

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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 *
Rittenberg Larry E

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1081 WOODWARD WAY
(Street)

FORT COLLINS, CO 80524

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Woodward, Inc. [WWD]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
01/25/2017

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)
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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

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	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	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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Derivative Security			Code	V	(A) or (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
					(A)	(D)			
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 62.57	01/25/2017 ⁽¹⁾	A		7,000		10/03/2017 ⁽²⁾	10/03/2026	Woodward, Inc. Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Rittenberg Larry E 1081 WOODWARD WAY FORT COLLINS, CO 80524		X		

Signatures

Rebecca L. Dees, by Power of Attorney
 Date: 01/27/2017
**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).
- The option grant was approved by the compensation committee of the Issuer's board of directors on September 30, 2016, subject to
- (1) stockholder approval of the incentive plan under which the option was granted. The Issuer's stockholders approved the plan on January 25, 2017.
 - (2) Options, which expire October 3, 2026, become exercisable as to 25% of the shares on October 3, 2017 and each one-year anniversary thereafter.

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