

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 Song Jingbo | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Professional Diversity Network, Inc. [IPDN] | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) Co-Executive Chairman | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|---|--|---|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O PROFESSIONAL DIVERSITY, NETWORK, INC., 801 W. ADAMS, SIXTH FLOOR | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/19/2018 | | | | | | |
| (Street) CHICAGO, IL 60607 | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | Code | V | | | | |

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) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
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| | | | | Code | V | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 2.82 | 04/19/2018 | | A | | 75,000 | (1) | (1) | Common Stock | 75,000 | \$ 0 | 75,000 | D | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Song Jingbo C/O PROFESSIONAL DIVERSITY NETWORK, INC., 801 W. ADAMS, SIXTH FLOOR CHICAGO, IL 60607 | X | | Co-Executive Chairman | |

Signatures

/s/ Jiangping (Gary) Xiao, Attorney-in-Fact 04/24/2018
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) On April 19, 2018, the Company granted an option to purchase 75,000 shares of Common Stock to Mr. Song. The options issued to the executive will vest in accordance with the following schedule: (i) 1/3 of the shares underlying the Effective Date.

Remarks:

The reporting person holds a minority equity interest in Cosmic Forward Limited ("CFL"), which directly owns common stock of the Issuer. The reporting person is not a controlling shareholder of C

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