

ENSIGN GROUP, INC

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FORM 5

(Annual Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or
Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Christensen Roy E <small>(Last) (First) (Middle)</small> 27101 PUERTA REAL, SUITE 450 <small>(Street)</small> MISSION VIEJO, CA 92691 <small>(City) (State) (Zip)</small>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ENSIGN GROUP, INC [ENSG] 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended <small>(MM/DD/YYYY)</small> <p align="center">12/31/2016</p>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer <small>(Check all applicable)</small> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X Director _____ 10% Owner _____ Officer (give title below) _____ X Other (specify below) Chairman of the Board 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X Form Filed by One Reporting Person _____ Form Filed by More than One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security <small>(Instr. 3)</small>	2. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. Code <small>(Instr. 8)</small>	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) <small>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)</small>			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) <small>(Instr. 3 and 4)</small>	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) <small>(Instr. 4)</small>	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership <small>(Instr. 4)</small>
				Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	6/15/2016		G	1000	D	\$0	1173412	I	Christensen Family Trust dated 8/17/92 (U)
Common Stock	6/15/2016		G	40000	D	\$0	1133412	I	Christensen Family Trust dated 8/17/92 (U)
Common Stock	9/16/2016		G	20000	D	\$0	1113412	I	Christensen Family Trust dated 8/17/92 (U)
Common Stock	12/9/2016		G	15000	D	\$0	1098412	I	Christensen Family Trust dated 8/17/92 (U)

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

1. Title of Derivate Security <small>(Instr. 3)</small>	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. Code <small>(Instr. 8)</small>	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) <small>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)</small>		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date <small>(MM/DD/YYYY)</small>		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security <small>(Instr. 3 and 4)</small>		8. Price of Derivative Security <small>(Instr. 5)</small>	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Issuer's Fiscal Year <small>(Instr. 4)</small>	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) <small>(Instr. 4)</small>	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership <small>(Instr. 4)</small>
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

- (These shares are directly owned by the Christensen Family Trust dated 8/17/92, as ten percent owner of the issuer, and indirectly owned by Roy E. Christensen and Carol M. Christensen as trustees of the trust. Roy E. Christensen is a director, officer and ten percent owner of the issuer, Carol M. Christensen is a ten percent owner of the issuer.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Christensen Roy E 27101 PUERTA REAL, SUITE 450 MISSION VIEJO, CA 92691	X			Chairman of the Board

Signatures

/s/ Suzanne Snapper as power of attorney

2/15/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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