

RIBBON COMMUNICATIONS INC.

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FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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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 * HOBBS FRANKLIN W IV (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O RIBBON COMMUNICATIONS INC., 4 TECHNOLOGY PARK DRIVE (Street) WESTFORD, MA 01886 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Ribbon Communications Inc. [RBBN]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director _____ 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below) CEO, President & Director
3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY) <p align="center">5/15/2018</p>		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
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. 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	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			

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

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. 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		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (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)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Restricted Stock Units (RSUs)	(1)	5/15/2018		A		195000		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	195000 (1)	\$0	195000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Ribbon Communications Inc. common stock.
- (2) The restricted stock units will vest in three equal annual installments beginning on December 31, 2018, subject to the reporting person's continued employment with Ribbon Communications Inc. or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates that may employ the reporting person through such date.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HOBBS FRANKLIN W IV C/O RIBBON COMMUNICATIONS INC. 4 TECHNOLOGY PARK DRIVE WESTFORD, MA 01886	X		CEO, President & Director	

Signatures

Franklin W. Hobbs 5/17/2018

**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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