

Liberty Tax, Inc.
Form SC 13G
February 14, 2017

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. ____)*

Liberty Tax, Inc.
(Name of Issuer)

Class A Common Stock
(Title of Class of Securities)

53128T102
(CUSIP Number)

December 31, 2012—2016
(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

Rule 13d-1(b)

Rule 13d-1(c)

Rule 13d-1(d)

*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the *Notes*).

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1 Names of Reporting Persons
 John T. Hewitt

2 Check the appropriate box if a member of a Group (see instructions)
 (a)
 (b)

3 SEC Use Only

4 Citizenship or Place of Organization
 USA

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|---|----------|--|
| Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person With: | 5 | Sole Voting Power 2,352,302 |
| | 6 | Shared Voting Power 0 |
| | 7 | Sole Dispositive Power 2,352,302 |
| | 8 | Shared Dispositive Power 0 |

9 Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person
 2,352,302

10 Check box if the aggregate amount in row (9) excludes certain shares (See Instructions)

11 Percent of class represented by amount in row (9)

16.5%

12 **Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)**

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Item 1.

- (a) Name of Issuer: Liberty Tax, Inc.
- (b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices: 1716 Corporate Landing Parkway, Virginia Beach, VA 23454

Item 2.

- (a) **Name of Person Filing:** John T. Hewitt
- (b) **Address of Principal Business Office:** 1716 Corporate Landing Parkway, Virginia Beach, VA 23454
- (c) **Citizenship:** USA
- (d) **Title and Class of Securities:** Class A Common Stock
- (e) **CUSIP No.:** 53128T102

Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to §§ 240.13d-1(b) or 240.13d-2(b) or (c), check whether the person filing is a:

Not applicable.

Item 4. Ownership

As of December 31, 2012, John T. Hewitt (the "Reporting Person") beneficially owned 2,416,722 shares of Class A Common Stock of the Issuer (the "Shares"), representing approximately 16.8% of the total Shares outstanding. This percentage of Shares is based upon 12,094,896 Shares outstanding as of November 30, 2012, as reported in the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended October 31, 2012, filed by the Issuer with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on December 4, 2012.

Between December 31, 2012 and December 31, 2016, the Reporting Person's beneficial ownership increased as result of Shares awarded as compensation, as reported by the Reporting Person's filings pursuant to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. As of December 31, 2016, the Reporting Person beneficially owned 2,352,302 Shares, representing approximately 16.5% of the total Shares outstanding. This percentage of Shares is based upon 12,710,831 Shares outstanding as of November 30, 2016, as reported in the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the period ended October 31, 2016, filed by the Issuer with the SEC on December 9, 2016.

The Reporting Person has the sole power (a) to vote or to direct the vote of and (b) to dispose or to direct the disposition of, the foregoing shares described in this Item 4.

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class.

Not applicable.

Item 6. Ownership of more than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person.

Not applicable.

Item 7. Identification and classification of the subsidiary which acquired the security being reported on by the parent holding company or control person.

Not applicable.

Item 8. Identification and classification of members of the group.

Not applicable.

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group.

Not applicable.

Item 10. Certifications.

Not applicable.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: February 14, 2017

/s/ John T. Hewitt

Name: John T. Hewitt

