

Gottwald Donald S.
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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 *
 Gottwald Donald S.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 KAR Auction Services, Inc. [KAR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/22/2018

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 COO & Chief Strategy Officer

C/O: KAR AUCTION SERVICES, INC., 13085 HAMILTON CROSSING BLVD.

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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CARMEL, IN 46032

(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)
Common Stock	02/22/2018		M	1,781 A	\$ 0 ⁽¹⁾ ₍₂₎ 22,223.5083	D	
Common Stock	02/22/2018		F ⁽³⁾	777 D	\$ 50.87 21,446.5083	D	
Common Stock	02/24/2018		M	1,865 A	\$ 0 ⁽⁴⁾ 23,311.5083	D	
Common Stock	02/24/2018		F ⁽³⁾	813 D	\$ 51.42 22,498.5083	D	

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. Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 10					(5) 05/06/2019	Common Stock	60,000
Restricted Stock Units	(6)	02/22/2018		M	1,781	(7) (7)	Common Stock	1,781
Restricted Stock Units	(6)	02/24/2018		M	1,865	(8) (8)	Common Stock	1,865

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Gottwald Donald S.
C/O: KAR AUCTION SERVICES, INC.
13085 HAMILTON CROSSING BLVD.
CARMEL, IN 46032

COO & Chief Strategy Officer

Signatures

Rebecca C. Polak as Attorney
In Fact

02/26/2018

**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) Each restricted stock unit is convertible into a share of common stock on a 1-for-1 basis. The restricted stock units vested in common stock on February 22, 2018.
- (2) Includes 1,212.6153 shares acquired (including 45.6668 shares acquired by dividend reinvestment) pursuant to the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan.
- (3) Shares withheld by the Company to satisfy tax withholding requirements.
- (4) Each restricted stock unit is convertible into a share of common stock on a 1-for-1 basis. The restricted stock units vested in common stock on February 24, 2018.
- (5) All of these options are currently exercisable.
- (6) Each restricted stock unit is convertible into a share of common stock on a 1-for-1 basis.

These restricted stock units remain subject to a time-vesting requirement and are scheduled to vest and settle in common stock as follows:
(7) one-third of these restricted stock units vested on February 23, 2017, one-third of these restricted stock units vested on February 22, 2018 and the remaining one-third of these restricted stock units vest on February 22, 2019, assuming continued employment through the applicable vesting date.

These restricted stock units remain subject to a time-vesting requirement and are scheduled to vest and settle in common stock as follows:
(8) one-third of these restricted stock units vested on February 24, 2018, one-third of these restricted stock units vest on February 24, 2019 and the remaining one-third of these restricted stock units vest on February 24, 2020, assuming continued employment through the applicable vesting date.

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