

ADOBE SYSTEMS INC  
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**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 \*  
**ROWLEY RICHARD**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**ADOBE SYSTEMS  
INCORPORATED, 345 PARK  
AVENUE**

(Street)

**SAN JOSE, CA 95110**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**ADOBE SYSTEMS INC [ADBE]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
**01/24/2017**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
**VP, Corp. Controller & CAO**

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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   | Amount or Price   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 01/24/2017                           |  | M                              |   | 10,098  | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 01/24/2017                           |  | F                              |   | 4,509 (1)   | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 01/24/2017                           |  | M                              |   | 1,700   | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 01/24/2017                           |  | F                              |   | 638 (1)   | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 01/24/2017                           |  | M                              |   | 1,950   | D  |   |

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Common Stock      01/24/2017      F      1,017      D      \$ 113.72      7,584      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) | Amount or Number of Shares |        |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|--------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title                      |        |
| Performance Shares                         | \$ 0   | 01/24/2017                           |  | M                              | 10,098  | (2)  | (2)   | Common Stock               | 10,098 |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | \$ 0   | 01/24/2017                           |  | M                              | 1,700   | (3)  | (3)   | Common Stock               | 1,700  |
| Restricted Stock Units                     | \$ 0   | 01/24/2017                           |  | M                              | 1,950   | (4)  | (4)   | Common Stock               | 1,950  |

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

ROWLEY RICHARD  
ADOBE SYSTEMS INCORPORATED  
345 PARK AVENUE  
SAN JOSE, CA 95110

VP, Corp. Controller & CAO

## Signatures

/s/ Jonathan Vaas, as attorney-in-fact

01/26/2017

\*\*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) Shares surrendered to pay tax liability due at vesting.
- (2) The Performance Shares vested in full upon the certification of performance goal achievement at 198% following the three-year anniversary of the January 24, 2014 grant date.
- (3) Vests at a rate of 1/3 annually on the first, second and third anniversaries of the January 24, 2014 vesting commencement date.
- (4) Vests at a rate of 1/3 annually on the first, second and third anniversaries of the January 24, 2015 vesting commencement date.

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