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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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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* <u>March Shayn P.</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) 621 NW 53RD STREET SUITE 700  (Street) BOCA RATON FL 33487  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>GEO GROUP INC [ GEO ]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>VP of Finance and Treasurer</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2017	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

**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	(A) or (D)	Price			
Restricted Stock	03/01/2017		A		5,000 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	\$0.00	14,500 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2017		F		274 <sup>(3)</sup>	D	\$48.4	17,699 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Common Stock	03/02/2017		F		525 <sup>(3)</sup>	D	\$47.73	17,174	D	

**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 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: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
Stock Options	\$13.72							03/23/2013	03/23/2019	Common Stock	5,780	5,780	D	
Stock Options	\$18.23							10/28/2013	10/28/2019	Common Stock	3,468	3,468	D	
Stock Options	\$21.29							03/01/2015	03/01/2021	Common Stock	5,780	5,780	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- This grant of restricted stock of The GEO Group, Inc. vests in equal annual increments of 25% on each of the four anniversary dates immediately following the grant date.
- The amount of shares has been adjusted to reflect the March 1, 2017 vesting of 1,000 shares of restricted stock and March 2, 2017 vesting of 1,250 shares of restricted stock.
- These shares were surrendered in order to satisfy the reporting person's tax withholding obligation upon the vesting of restricted stock.

**Remarks:**

/s/John J. Bulfin, as Attorney-in-Fact for Shayn P. March 03/03/2017

\*\* 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).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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