

7. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

None

8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

506,100

9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

506,100

10. CHECK IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES _____

11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9

5.34%

12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

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CUSIP No. 36159R103

1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS

I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS

WILLIAM J. NASGOVITZ

2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

(a) []]
(b) []]

3. SEC USE ONLY

4. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

U.S.A.

NUMBER OF 5. SOLE VOTING POWER
SHARES BENEFICIALLY

OWNED BY None
EACH

REPORTING 6. SHARED VOTING POWER
PERSON

WITH 506,100

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Item 1.

(a) Name of Issuer: The GEO Group, Inc.

(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:
One Park Place
621 NW 53rd Street, Suite 700
Boca Raton, FL 33487

Item 2.

(a) Name of Person Filing: (1) Heartland Advisors, Inc.

(2) William J. Nasgovitz

(b) Address of Principal Business Office:

(1) 789 North Water Street (2) 789 North Water Street
Milwaukee, WI 53202 Milwaukee, WI 53202

(c) Citizenship: Heartland Advisors is a Wisconsin corporation.
William J. Nasgovitz - U.S.A

(d) Title of Class of Securities: Common Stock

(e) CUSIP Number: 36159R103

Item 3. The persons filing this Schedule 13G are Heartland Advisors, Inc., an investment adviser registered with the SEC, and William J. Nasgovitz, President and principal shareholder of Heartland Advisors, Inc. Mr. Nasgovitz joins in this filing pursuant to SEC staff positions authorizing certain individuals in similar situations to join in a filing with a controlled entity eligible to file on Schedule 13G. The reporting persons do not admit that they constitute a group.

Item 4. Ownership.

(a) Amount beneficially owned:

506,100 shares may be deemed beneficially owned within the meaning of Rule 13d-3 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 by (1) Heartland Advisors, Inc. by virtue of its investment discretion and voting authority granted by certain clients, which may be revoked at any time; and (2) William J. Nasgovitz, as a result of his ownership interest in Heartland Advisors, Inc. Heartland Advisors, Inc. and Mr. Nasgovitz each specifically disclaim beneficial ownership of any shares reported on the Schedule.

(b) Percent of Class: 5.34%

(c) For information on voting and dispositive power with respect to the above listed shares, see Items 5-9 of the Cover Pages.

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

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following: []

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

The clients of Heartland Advisors, Inc., a registered investment adviser, including an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 and other managed accounts, have the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends and proceeds from the sale of shares included on this Schedule. The Heartland Value Fund, a series of the Heartland Group, Inc., a registered investment company, owns 505,400 shares or 5.34% of the class of securities reported herein. To the best of Heartland Advisors' knowledge, no other account owns more than 5% of the outstanding stock.

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent Holding Company.

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. Certification.

By signing below, the undersigned certify that, to the best of their knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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.

DATE: January 18, 2005

WILLIAM J. NASGOVITZ

HEARTLAND ADVISORS, INC.

By: /s/ PAUL T. BESTE By: /s/ PAUL T. BESTE
Paul T. Beste Paul T. Beste
As Attorney in Fact for Chief Operating Officer
William J. Nasgovitz

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit 1 Joint Filing Agreement

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The undersigned persons agree and consent to the joint filing on their behalf of this Schedule 13G in connection with their beneficial ownership of The GEO Group, Inc. at December 31, 2004.

WILLIAM J. NASGOVITZ

By: /s/ PAUL T. BESTE
Paul T. Beste
As Attorney in Fact for William J. Nasgovitz

HEARTLAND ADVISORS, INC.

By: /s/ PAUL T. BESTE
Paul T. Beste
Chief Operating Officer