FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person* Bucci Sam | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Ribbon Communications Inc. [RBBN] | | | | | | | | | Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director | | | | | |
|--|---|--|------------|---------|---|---------------------------------------|---|----------------------------|--|-------------------|--------------------------|---|--|---|---|----------------------|---|--|--|
| (Last) | (FI | , | , , | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/18/2024 | | | | | | | | Officer (give title below) | | Other (s below) | pecify | |
| STE, 100 | | | | 4.1 | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) | | | | | | | |
| (Street) | T | X | 75023 | | | | | | | | | | | | filed by One filed by Moi n | | • | | |
| (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | | R | Rule 10b5-1(c) Transaction Indication | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | Chec | k this I fy the a | box to indi affirmative | defense co | transa onditio | action was mas of Rule 1 | nade pursua 0b5-1(c). S | ant to a con ee Instructi | tract, instructi on 10. | on or written | plan that | t is intended | to | |
| | | Tab | le I - No | n-Deriv | vativ | e Se | curit | ies Ac | quired, | Dis | posed c | f, or Be | neficia | ly Owne | d | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trans Date (Month/ | | | | | action 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | Code (Instr. 5) | | | | Benefic Owned | ies ially Following | 6. Own Form: (D) or I (I) (Inst | Direct Indirect tr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) o | r Price | Reporte Transa (Instr. 3 | ction(s) | | ľ | Instr. 4) | |
| Common Stock 01/18/ | | | | 8/202 | /2024 | | M | | 81,96 | 7 A | \$ <mark>0</mark> 0 |) 31 | 0,271 | | D | | | | |
| Common Stock 01/18/ | | | | 8/202 | /2024 | | F | | 44,47 | 5 D | \$2.84 | .(2) 26 | 5,796 | | D | | | | |
| | | • | Table II - | | | | | | | | osed of, converti | | | / Owned | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | Execution | | Date, Transactio | | | | 6. Date Exercisable Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | Э | of Securi Underlyii | ng e Security | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4) | e C s F illy C | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisa | | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | | |
| Restricted Stock Units | (1) | 01/18/2024 | | | M | | | 81,967 | (3) | | (3) | Common Stock | 81,967 | \$0 | 0 | | D | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. These RSUs convert to Common Stock on a one-for-one basis.
- 2. Reflects shares of Common Stock withheld by the Issuer to satisfy tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting of the RSUs.
- 3. The RSUs vested in full on January 18, 2024.

Patrick Macken, By POA for Sam Bucci, EVP & COO

01/19/2024

** 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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