FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## 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>GRAYSON BRUNS H</u>						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol Ribbon Communications Inc. [ RBBN ]									Check a	tionship of Reporting all applicable) Director		g Pers	g Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner		
C/O RIBBON COMMUNICATIONS INC.						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/16/2018										Officer (give title below)			Other (below)	(specify	
4 TECHNOLOGY PARK DRIVE					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)						
(Street) WESTFO	ORD M.	Α (	)1886												X	Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(St	ate) (	Zip)																		
		Tabl	e I - No	n-Deriva	ative	Sec	curitie	s Acc	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, oı	Bene	eficia	ally O	wne	d				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transact Date (Month/Date)					Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4) 5)					nd S B O	Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
									Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	,  т	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)	
Common	Stock			01/16/	16/2018 A 10,683 <sup>(1)</sup> A \$0 10,683 D																
Common Stock 01/16/					2018				A		25,211 <sup>(2)</sup> A		\$	35,894		5,894		D			
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security  Date (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transa Code (I 8)			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)  Date Exercisable Date			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amour or Numbe of Title Shares		ount nber	8. Price Deriva Securi (Instr. !	tive	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	0 F D 0 (I	.0. Ownership Form: Direct (D) Or Indirect I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. These are restricted shares of Common Stock that vest on the date of the Issuer's 2018 Annual Meeting of Stockholders.
- 2. These are restricted shares of Common Stock that vest on January 16, 2019.

## Remarks:

<u>Bruns H. Grayson</u> <u>01/18/2018</u>

\*\* 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).
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