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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>Bucci Sam</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O RIBBON COMMUNICATIONS INC. 4 TECHNOLOGY PARK DRIVE  (Street) WESTFORD TX 01886  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Ribbon Communications Inc. [ RBBN ]</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) EVP & GM, IP Optical Networks
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/15/2021	
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			
Common Stock	02/15/2021		M		133,333	A	(1)	133,333	D	
Common Stock	02/15/2021		F		57,886 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	\$10.54	75,447	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	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units (PSUs)	(1)	02/15/2021		M			133,333	(3)	01/31/2022 <sup>(3)</sup>	Common Stock	133,333	\$10.54	0	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- Each PSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock.
- Reflects shares of common stock withheld by the Issuer to satisfy tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting of PSUs.
- On September 15, 2020, the reporting person was awarded 133,333 PSUs, vesting in full on the date the Issuer's stock price achieved a daily closing price on the NASDAQ Stock Market of \$7.50 for 10 (ten) consecutive trading days on or before January 31, 2022.

Patrick Macken, Attorney-in-Fact 02/16/2021

\*\* 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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