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## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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>Swade Michael R.</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O SONUS NETWORKS, INC.</u> <u>4 TECHNOLOGY PARK DRIVE</u>  (Street) <u>WESTFORD MA 01886</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>10/27/2017</u>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Sonus Networks, Inc. [ SONS ]</u>	
		4. 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>EVP Global Sales</u>	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

## Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>218,543</u>	<u>D</u>	

## Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date				
<u>Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units (PSUs)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>4,167<sup>(1)</sup></u>	<u>0</u>	<u>D</u>
<u>Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units (PSUs)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>6,250<sup>(2)</sup></u>	<u>0</u>	<u>D</u>
<u>Performance-Based Restricted Stock Units (PSUs)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	<u>Common Stock</u>	<u>15,625<sup>(3)</sup></u>	<u>0</u>	<u>D</u>

## Explanation of Responses:

1. Each PSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's Common Stock, based on the Issuer's total shareholder return (TSR) compared to pre-established relative TSR goals, based on the TSR of the NASDAQ Telecommunications Index, that were set by the Compensation Committee of the Issuer's Board of Directors. Between zero percent (0%) and 120% of the target number of shares reported in column 3 of this report will vest into Issuer Common Stock, if at all, on March 16, 2018.

2. Each PSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's Common Stock, based on the Issuer's total shareholder return (TSR) compared to pre-established relative TSR goals, based on the TSR of the NASDAQ Telecommunications Index, that were set by the Compensation Committee of the Issuer's Board of Directors. Between zero percent (0%) and 200% of one-half of the target number of shares reported in column 3 of this report will vest into Issuer Common Stock, if at all, on each of April 1, 2018 and April 1, 2019.

3. Each PSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's Common Stock, based on the Issuer's total shareholder return (TSR) compared to pre-established relative TSR goals, based on the TSR of the NASDAQ Telecommunications Index, that were set by the Compensation Committee of the Issuer's Board of Directors. Between zero percent (0%) and 200% of one-third of the target number of shares reported in column 3 of this report will vest into Issuer Common Stock, if at all, on each of March 31, 2018, March 31, 2019 and March 31, 2020.

## Remarks:

Michael R. Swade11/06/2017

\*\* 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 5 (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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