

Whitaker Jerry R.  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Whitaker Jerry R.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
MATTHEWS INTERNATIONAL CORP [MATW]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
TWO NORTSHORE CENTER  
(Street)  
PITTSBURGH, PA 15212  
(City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/08/2018  
4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Underlying Securities
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Instr.)							
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		
Deferred Stock Units under 2014 Director Fee Plan	(1)	03/08/2018	A		2,301 (2)		(1)	(1)	Class A Common Stock	2,301	\$ 0	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Whitaker Jerry R. TWO NORTSHORE CENTER PITTSBURGH, PA 15212	X			

## Signatures

/s/ Brian D. Walters  
(Attorney-in-Fact) 03/09/2018

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* 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).
- (1) Each Deferred Stock Unit ("DSU") is the economic equivalent of one share of Class A common stock. The DSUs become payable in common stock in accordance with a deferral election made by the reporting person or pursuant to the Issuer's Amended and Restated 2014 Director Fee Plan ("Plan"). A copy of such deferral election is on file with the Issuer.
- (2) The number of DSUs issued by the Issuer to the Reporting Person was calculated based on \$54.34, which represents the mean of the highest and lowest sale prices per share of the Issuer's Class A common stock on the Nasdaq Exchange on the date of issuance.
- (3) DSUs were issued by the Issuer to the Reporting Person in the following increments and calculated based on the mean of the highest and lowest sale prices per share of the Issuer's Class A common stock on the date of issuance: 1,887 on 03/09/2017 at \$66.25; 2,301 on 03/08/2018 at \$54.34. DSUs were also issued to the Reporting Person pursuant to dividend equivalent rights in the following increments: 4 on 05/01/2017; 5 on 07/31/2017; 7 on 12/11/2017; 7 on 02/19/2018.

### Remarks:

The Power of Attorney dated November 29, 2017 is filed herewith.

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