Knutson Ronald J Form 4 January 10, 2018

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

if no longer subject to **SECURITIES** Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5

obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Knutson Ronald J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

LAWSON PRODUCTS

INC/NEW/DE/ [LAWS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 01/08/2018

C/O LAWSON PRODUCTS. INC., 8770 WEST BRYN MAWR **AVENUE, SUITE 900**

(First)

(Middle)

(Street)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Issuer

below)

Director

X_ Officer (give title

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

EVP CFO Controller & Treasurer

10% Owner

Other (specify

CHICAGO, IL 60631

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

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(A) Transaction(s)

4. Securities

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

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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. Transa Code (Instr.		5. Number of or 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 Amoun Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Stock Performance Rights	\$ 24.7	01/08/2018		A		8,742 (1)		12/31/2020	12/31/2025	Common Stock	8,74
Market Stock Units	\$ 0	01/08/2018		A		10,451 (2) (3)		12/31/2020	12/31/2020	Common Stock	10,4
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	01/08/2018		A		4,341 (4)		12/31/2020	12/31/2020	Common Stock	4,34

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Knutson Ronald J C/O LAWSON PRODUCTS, INC. 8770 WEST BRYN MAWR AVENUE, SUITE 900

EVP CFO Controller & Treasurer

Signatures

CHICAGO, IL 60631

/s/ Neil E. Jenkins, Attorney-in-Fact 01/10/2018

**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) Represents the right to receive cash in an amount equal to the appreciation in the common stock above the exercise price at the date the reporting person exercises the right.
- (2) Represents the right to receive an amount of shares of common stock, up to the amount set forth in the table, based upon the appreciation of the common stock from the grant date to December 31, 2020.
- (3) Holder is required to hold 100% of the restricted stock that vests, net of taxes, until December 31, 2022.
- (4) Represents the right to receive shares of common stock at the exercise date in an amount equal to the number of restricted stock units.

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