MCCONNELL J WARD JR

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MCCONNELL J WARD JR | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ARTS WAY MANUFACTURING CO INC [ARTW] | | | | , | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | |
|---|----------|---------------|--|------------------------|--------|-----------------|--|---|-------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| (Last) P.O. BOX 6 | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date o | f Earliest Day/Year | Trans | action | | _X_ Director Officer (gibelow) | | 10% Owner Other (specify w) | |
| | (Street) | | 4. If Amo | endment, | | Original | | 6. Individual or Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed b | • | | |
| KINSTON, NC 28501 | | | | | | | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Tab | le I - Nor | n-Deri | vative Securiti | ies Acqı | uired, Disposed | of, or Bene | ficially Owned | |
| 1.Title of | | Date 2A. Deer | | 3. | | Securities Acqu | | | 6. | 7. Nature of | |

| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securion(A) or Di (D) (Instr. 3, | spose 4 and (A) or | d of | 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) |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------|------------|--|--|---|
| Common Stock | 05/16/2018 | | P | | ` / | \$ 2.75 | 1,757,117 | I | By J. Ward McConnell, Jr. Living Trust |
| Common Stock | 05/17/2018 | | P | 1 (1) | A | \$ 2.75 | 1,757,118 | I | By J. Ward McConnell, Jr. Living Trust |

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 (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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. onNumber 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|--|--------------------|---|--|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 8.66 | | | | | 04/28/2011 | 04/28/2021 | Common Stock | 2,000 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 6.75 | | | | | 04/26/2012 | 04/26/2022 | Common Stock | 2,000 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 6.4 | | | | | 04/25/2013 | 04/25/2023 | Common Stock | 2,000 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 6.15 | | | | | 04/29/2014 | 04/29/2024 | Common Stock | 2,000 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 4.7 | | | | | 04/22/2015 | 04/22/2025 | Common Stock | 2,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| | X | X | | | | | |

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MCCONNELL J WARD JR P.O. BOX 6219 KINSTON, NC 28501

Signatures

/s/ Amanda Lorentz as attorney-in-fact for J. Ward McConnell, Jr. pursuant to power of attorney previously filed.

05/18/2018

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * 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) The transaction was made in accordance with the terms of a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan previously adopted by the reporting person in accordance with Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

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