FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  EARLY CREIGHTON K						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Willdan Group, Inc. [ WLDN ]									all app Direct Office	licable) tor er (give title			wner (specify
(Last) (First) (Middle) 2401 E. KATELLA AVE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/14/2022									74	VICE	) E PRESID	ENT	below)	O
SUITE 300						4. If Amandment Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Area)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
(Street) ANAHEIM CA 92806				4. 11 /	Line) X Form filed by							filed by One	by One Reporting Person  by More than One Reporting						
(City)	(St	(State) (Zip)													reisc	л			
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/						if any	emed ion Date, /Day/Year)				s Acquired (A) of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		and 5)   Securit Benefic		ties Fo cially (D I Following (I)		wnership n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D) Price			Transa	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(111511.4)
Common Stock 12/14/20					)22	22					354(1)	D	\$16	.57(2)	43	3,961(3)		D	
Common Stock 12/15/20					)22				S		299(1)	D \$16.72		.72(4)	43,662 <sup>(3)</sup>			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)	e Conversion Date Executor Date (Month/Day/Year) if any		eemed ution Date, h/Day/Year)		ansaction ode (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		e Exer ation D h/Day/		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Inst 3 and 4)		Der Sed (Ins	Price of rivative curity str. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	ly C	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerci	isable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shares	r					

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Represents shares of Common Stock sold in the open market, the proceeds of which were used to pay the tax withholding obligations incurred upon the vesting of restricted stock on December 11,
- 2. The price reported in Column 4 is the weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$16.31 to \$16.84, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide to the Issuer, any security holder of the Issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote (2) and footnote (4).
- 3. Include 3,800 shares of restricted stock that vest on March 8, 2023, subject to the Reporting Person's continued service to the Issuer through the applicable vesting date.
- 4. The price reported in Column 4 is the weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$16.60 to \$16.85, inclusive.

/s/ Creighton K. Early

12/16/2022

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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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