FORM 4

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

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  CHEN MICAH						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Willdan Group, Inc. [ WLDN ]									k all app Direc	tionship of Reporting all applicable) Director Officer (give title		10% O	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 2401 EAST KATELLA AVENUE SUITE 300					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/07/2023									X	X Officer (give title below)  GENERAL COUNSEL				
(Street) ANAHEIM CA 92806 (City) (State) (Zip)				4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da						Execution Da			3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)					4 and Securi Benefi		ies cially Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
								Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	or P	rice	Transa	ction(s) 3 and 4)			(11150.4)	
Common Stock 03/07/2					2023				A		2,800(1)	1	4	\$ <mark>0</mark>	25,996(2)(3)			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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	if any	med on Date, Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instrand 5	rities ired r osed )	Expiration D		te	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Ins 3 and 4)		De Se (In	Price of rivative curity str. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Represents shares of restricted stock awarded to the Reporting Person by the Issuer on March 7, 2023, which vest in three substantially equal installments on each of March 7, 2024, March 7, 2025 and March 7, 2026, subject to the Reporting Person's continued service to the Issuer through the applicable vesting date.
- 2. Includes 2,500 shares of restricted stock that vest on May 4, 2023, subject to the Reporting Person's continued service to the Issuer through the applicable vesting date.
- 3. Includes an aggregate of 771 shares of Common Stock purchased under the Amended and Restated Willdan Group, Inc. 2006 Employee Stock Purchase Plan, including 533 shares on June 30, 2022 and 238 shares on December 31, 2022.

/s/ Creighton K. Early,

03/08/2023 Attorney-in-fact for Micah

Chen

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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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