ENSIGN GROUP, INC

Form 4

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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).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SMITH BARRY M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ENSIGN GROUP, INC [ENSG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Check all applicable)

27101 PUERTA REAL, SUITE 450

(Street)

(State)

(First)

(Month/Day/Year) 10/15/2014

X_ Director Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

A

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

MISSION VIEJO, CA 92691

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

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

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) Reported

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

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

Common Stock

10/15/2014

750 1,500 34.09

(A)

D

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 | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 4. Transacti | 5. | 6. Date Exerc Expiration Da | | 7. Title and Amount of | 8. Price of Derivative | 9. Nu Deriv |
|------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|---|------------------------|---|
| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | (i.i.dia. Dayi Teal) | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | of (Month/Day/Y | | | Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4 | Security (Instr. 5) | Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title Amoun or Numbe of Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| 1 0 | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| SMITH BARRY M 27101 PUERTA REAL SUITE 450 MISSION VIEJO, CA 92691 | X | | | | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Suzanne Snapper, as Power of Attorney 10/17/2014

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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