Pelzer Francis J. Form 4 April 25, 2019

FORM 4

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

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Benefitfocus, Inc. [BNFT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

Common

Stock

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Pelzer Francis J.

(First) (Middle)

100 BENEFITFOCUS WAY

(Street)

(State)

04/23/2019

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Symbol

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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04/23/2019

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

D

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5. Amount of

Beneficially

Securities

Following

Owned

CHARLESTON, SC 29492

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

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

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

 $S^{(1)}$ 250 D \$ 40 15,645 (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of

Form: Direct Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

Indirect

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and 4	ecurities		
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13.53					<u>(2)</u>	05/07/2023	Common Stock	50,000		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Pelzer Francis J. 100 BENEFITFOCUS WAY CHARLESTON, SC 29492	X					

Signatures

/s/ Donald R. Reynolds, Attorney-in-Fact

**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).

04/25/2019

- (1) This sale was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan executed by the reporting person on May 18, 2018 and effective on June 18, 2018.
- (2) This option is fully vested.

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