

MCCONNELL J WARD JR
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(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) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 04/24/2018

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

P.O. BOX 6219

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

KINSTON, NC 28501

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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)	
				(A) or (D)	Price			
				Code	V	Amount		
Common Stock	04/24/2018		P	20	A	\$ 2.6	1,747,917 I	By J. Ward McConnell, Jr. Living Trust
Common Stock	04/25/2018		A	1,000 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$ 0	1,748,917 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number 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)	8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V (A) (D)		
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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Signatures

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

04/26/2018

__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).

(1) Represents 1,000 shares of fully-vested restricted shares of Company common stock granted pursuant to the director compensation plan.

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