UNITED GUARDIAN INC Form 4 January 15, 2003

FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*

Vernice, Joseph J.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

UNITED-GUARDIAN, INC. ("UG")

6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)

<u>Director</u> <u>10% Owner</u> <u>X Officer (give title below)</u> Other (specify below)

Vice President

(Last) (First) (Middle)

98 Arpage Drive E.

3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary) 4. Statement for Month/Day/Year

January, 2003

(Street)

Shirley, NY 11967

5. If Amendment,Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)

<u>X</u> Form filed by One Reporting Person

____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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 & 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions(s) (Instr. 3 & 4)

6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of Indirect
Beneficial Ownership
(Instr. 4)

Code

V

Amount

(A) or

(D)

Price

 $\label{eq:Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. $$ * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v). $$$

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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 & 5)

6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/ Year)

7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 & 4)

8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)

9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)

10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

Code

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(A)

(D)

Date Exercisable

Expiration Date

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Amount or Number of	
Shares	

StockOption

\$ 3.51 1/15/03

A

1,600

12/6/02

12/6/12

Common Stock

1,600

1,600

D

Explanation of Responses:

By: /s/ Joseph J. Vernice by Ken Globus, Attorney-in-fact

**Signature of Reporting Person

January 15, 2003

Date

**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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