FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* BULFIN JOHN J (Last) (First) (Middle) ONE PARK PLACE, SUITE 700 621 NW 53RD STREET | | | | | 3. D | Suer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GEO GROUP INC [GEO] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/04/2012 | | | | | | | | (Ch | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) SVP & General Counsel | | | | | |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---------------------|-----------|---------------------------------|---|--|--|-----------------------------|--|------------------------|--|--|--|--|---|--|---|--|--|
| 621 NW 53RD STREET (Street) BOCA RATON FL 33487 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| 1. Title of | Security (Ins | | le I - Nor | 2. Transa | | 7 | 2A. Deer Execution | med | 3. | | 4. Securi | ities Acq | uired (| (A) or | 5. Amor | unt of | | | 7. Nature of Indirect | |
| | | (Month/Day/Year) | | | if any (Month/Day/Yea | | Code (I | | 5) . | 5) (4) 0) | | Price | Benefic Owned Reporte Transac | Following ed ction(s) | (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
| Restricted Stock 09/04 | | | | | /2012 | 2012 | | | F | | 396(1 | (D | D D | \$26.8 | (Instr. 3 | 3,432 | | D | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | | | | | | | \dashv | | 26 | 5,500 | | D | | |
| | | Т | | | | | | | quired, D s, option | | | | | | / Owned | | <u> </u> | <u> </u> | | |
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| Option Stock | \$4.6667 | | | Date, (| Code (I | Instr. | of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) o Disp of (D (Insti | vative prities valued or valued or valued or valued or valued or value or v | Expiration (Month/Day | Date Explored by the second s | piration tte //01/2013 | of Secu Underly Derivat (Instr. 3 Title Common Stock Common Co | An or Nu of Sh | mount curity) mount umber nares | Derivative Security | derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4) | silly pon(s) | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | |
| Option Stock Option Stock | \$4.6667 \$6.0834 | | | Date, (| Code (I | Instr. | of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) o Disp of (D (Insti | vative prities valued or valued or valued or valued or valued or value or v | Date Exercisable 05/01/2003 | Ex Da 05 08 10 08 | piration tte //01/2013 | Title Common Stock Common Stock Common Stock | An or Nu of Sh | mount curity) mount umber nares 5,454 | Derivative Security | derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4) | on(s) | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. The GEO Group, Inc. ("GEO") purchased these vested restricted shares from Mr. Bulfin on September 4, 2012 at a price per share of \$26.87, which was the closing trading price of GEO common stock on that date. The sale was conducted solely for the purpose of and the proceeds from this sale were used by Mr. Bulfin solely to pay the taxes associated with the September 1, 2012 vesting of 1,500 shares of restricted stock.

Remarks:

John J. Bulfin

09/06/2012

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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

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