FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Wierdsma Thomas M						GEO GROUP INC [GEO]								(Check all applicable) Director Director Director Difficer (give title Other (specify					
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONE PARK PLACE, SUITE 700 621 NW 53RD STREET						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/11/2012								below) below) SVP - Project Development					
(Street) BOCA RATON FL 33487					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting						
(City)	(:	State)	(Zip)											Person					
		Та	ble I - N	on-Der	ivativ	e Se	curities	s Ac	quire	d, Di	sposed o	f, or Be	nefic	ially	Owned				
1. Title of	Security (Ins	str. 3)		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Execution Date,		ate,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Disposed O	of (D) (Instr	Acquired (A) or D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		Form:	Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Pric	e	Transacti (Instr. 3 a				
Common	Stock			12/11	/2012				M		40,000	A	\$20	.625	49,	823		D	
Common	Stock			12/11	/2012				M		10,000	A	\$1	6.69	59,	823		D	
Common	Stock			12/11/2012					S		50,000(1)	1) D \$29).274	9,823			D	
Restricted	d Stock														29,5	00(2)		D	
Common	Stock														10	00		I	By self as custodian for B. Wierdsma
Common												10	00	custodia					
Common Stock															10	00		I	By self as custodian for Lauren Diane Wierdsma
Common Stock															100			I	By self as custodian for Robert Oliver Wierdsma
			Table II								posed of,				Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) if any (Month/II)		ned 4.		action	5. Number		6. Date Exercisal Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		isable and	7. Title and Ame of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		unt 8. Price of Derivative Security		9. Numb derivativ Securitie Beneficia Owned Followin Reported Transact (Instr. 4)	re es ally g d tion(s)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	(A) (D))	Date Exercis	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Shar	ber					
Stock Option	\$20.625	12/11/2012			М		40	0,000	01/18/2	2007	01/18/2017	Common Stock	40,0	000	\$0	0		D	
Stock Option	\$16.69	12/11/2012			M		10	0,000	10/30/2	2008	10/30/2018	Common Stock	10,0	000	\$0 0			D	\top
Stock Option	\$21.07								10/28/2	2009	10/28/2019	Common Stock	7,5	00		7,50	0	D	

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)			vative urities uired or oosed O) (Instr.	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/\)	ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Option	\$24.61							03/01/2011	03/01/2021	Common Stock	7,500		7,500	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. The reporting person will use all or a portion of the proceeds from the sale of the securities to finance the reporting person's equity participation in GEO Care Holdings LLC, an entity formed by members of The GEO Group, Inc. ("GEO") and GEO Care, Inc.'s management teams (the "MBO Group"), in connection with the previously announced acquisition by the MBO Group of certain health care facility management contracts (the "GEO Care Business") from GEO. The MBO Group's acquisition of the GEO Care Business is related to GEO's announcement that it will take all necessary steps to prepare GEO to operate in compliance with the REIT rules beginning January 1, 2013. The transaction is expected to close on or before December 31, 2012.
- 2. The vesting of this grant of restricted stock of GEO is contingent upon the achievement by GEO of certain performance-based metrics during 2012, 2013 and 2014, as certified by the compensation committee. Under the terms of the restricted stock grant, vesting can occur annually on August 15, 2013, 2014 and 2015, respectively, or cumulatively on August 15, 2015.

/s/ John J. Bulfin, as Attorney-

in-Fact for Thomas M. 12/13/2012

<u>Wierdsma</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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).
- ** 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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