

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Wierdsma Thomas M</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) ONE PARK PLACE, SUITE 700 621 NW 53RD STREET  (Street) BOCA RATON FL 33487  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>GEO GROUP INC [ GEO ]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) SVP - Project Development
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2018	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

**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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Restricted Stock	03/01/2018		D		672 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	\$0.00	45,000 <sup>(2)(3)</sup>	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2018		F		4,611 <sup>(4)</sup>	D	\$21.3	106,086 <sup>(2)(3)</sup>	D	
Common Stock								926 <sup>(5)</sup>	I	By self as custodian for B. Wierdsma
Common Stock								926 <sup>(5)</sup>	I	By self as custodian for Oliver Thomas Adams
Common Stock								926 <sup>(5)</sup>	I	By self as custodian for Lauren Diane Wierdsma
Common Stock								926 <sup>(5)</sup>	I	By self as custodian for Robert Oliver Weirdsma

**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 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)
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					

**Explanation of Responses:**

- The amount of shares reflects the forfeiture of 672 shares of restricted stock based on the results of the performance based metrics of the restricted stock during the period from January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2017.
- On April 24, 2017, the common stock of The GEO Group, Inc. split 3-for-2, resulting in the reporting person's ownership of (i) 20,000 additional shares of restricted stock and (ii) 31,123 shares of common stock.
- The amount of shares has been adjusted to reflect the March 1, 2018 vesting of 14,328 shares of restricted stock.
- These shares were surrendered in order to satisfy the reporting person's tax withholding obligation upon the vesting of restricted stock.
- On April 24, 2017, the common stock of The GEO Group, Inc. split 3-for-2, resulting in the reporting person's indirect ownership of an aggregate of 1,236 additional common shares.

**Remarks:**

/s/John J. Bulfin, as Attorney-  
in-Fact for Thomas M.      03/05/2018  
Wierdsma

\*\* 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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