

Larkins Thomas F
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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 *
 Larkins Thomas F

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 APPLIED MATERIALS INC /DE [AMAT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Sr. VP, GC & Corp. Secretary

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O APPLIED MATERIALS, INC., P.O. BOX 58039, 3050 BOWERS AV, M/S 1268
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/14/2017

SANTA CLARA, CA 95054
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

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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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock | 12/14/2017 | | A | (A) or (D) Amount 42,306 (1) | \$ 0 470,088 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/14/2017 | | A | (A) or (D) Amount 20,172 (2) | \$ 0 490,260 | D | |
| Common Stock | 12/14/2017 | | A | (A) or (D) Amount 20,172 (3) | \$ 0 510,432 (4) | D | |

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 of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|---|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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Sr. VP, GC & Corp. Secretary

Signatures

/s/ Harpreet S. Bal,
Attorney-in-Fact

12/18/2017

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

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Represents performance shares acquired based on achievement of specified performance goals related to performance shares previously granted. This acquisition is exempt under Rule 16b-3. The performance shares will be converted on a one-for-one basis into shares of

(1) Applied Materials common stock upon vesting, which vesting is scheduled to occur as follows: 21,153 shares are scheduled to vest on December 19, 2017, 10,576 shares are scheduled to vest on December 19, 2018 and 10,577 shares are scheduled to vest on December 19, 2019 (all vesting is subject to continued employment through each applicable vest date).

(2) Represents performance shares that will be converted on a one-for-one basis into shares of Applied Materials common stock upon vesting, which vesting is scheduled to occur on December 19, 2020, depending on the achievement of specified performance goals and continued employment through the vest date. The number of shares shown is the target amount, and the actual number of shares that may vest ranges from 0% to 200% of the target amount, depending on the achievement of specified performance goals.

(3) Represents restricted stock units that will be converted on a one-for-one basis into shares of Applied Materials common stock upon vesting, which vesting is scheduled to occur in three equal annual installments beginning December 19, 2018, depending on the

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achievement of a specified performance goal and continued employment through each applicable vest date.

- Number of shares includes 192,357 performance shares and restricted stock units previously reported that in the future will be converted on a one-for-one basis into shares of Applied Materials common stock upon vesting, which vesting is scheduled to occur as follows: (a) 117,605 performance shares are scheduled to vest in installments in December of 2017 through 2019, (b) 37,376 performance shares are scheduled to vest in December 2019, which number of shares is the target amount, and the actual number of shares that may vest ranges from 0% to 200% of the target amount, depending on achievement of specified performance goals, and (c) 37,376 restricted stock units are scheduled to vest in installments in December of 2017 through 2019 (all vesting is subject to continued employment through each applicable vest date).
- (4)

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