RAMU RAYMOND R

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * RAMU RAYMOND R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

SAIA INC [SAIA]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

11465 JOHNS CREEK PARKWAY, 08/01/2017

(Street)

SUITE 400

below) Exec. VP & Chief Customer Off.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

JOHNS CREEK, GA 30097

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(9-02)

(A)

Transaction(s)

or (Instr. 3 and 4) (D) Price

Common Stock

08/01/2017

Code V Amount 3,680 A A (1)

\$0 16,696

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)

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivativ Securitie Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock	<u>(2)</u>					<u>(3)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	7,073.244
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 31.5					02/04/2017	02/03/2021	Common Stock	4,300
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 43.01					02/03/2018	02/03/2022	Common Stock	4,500
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 27.45					02/08/2019	02/08/2023	Common Stock	13,440
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 46.35					02/07/2020	02/07/2024	Common Stock	3,580

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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Exec. VP & Chief Customer Off.

Signatures

/s/ Stephanie R. 08/02/2017 Maschmeier

**Signature of Reporting Date
Person

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Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Restricted shares granted as part of the long-term incentive program approved by the Compensation Committee. The restricted stock award vests 25% in year three, 25% in year four and 50% in year five.
- (2) The conversion rate of this derivative security on August 1, 2017 is 1.2000 resulting in 8,487.43 shares of common stock (underlying security in column 7).
- (3) Immediate
- (4) The shares of phantom stock become payable in the Company's common stock upon reporting person's termination of service as an employee, in accordance with the terms of the Plan.

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