Stapley Gregory K. Form 4 April 20, 2010

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad Stapley Greg	dress of Reporting Person **ory K.	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ENSIGN GROUP, INC [ensg]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Sheen an applicable)			
		(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
27101 PUER	TA REAL, SUITE 450	04/16/2010	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Executive Vice President			
	(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
MISSION VI	EJO, CA 92691		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	omr Dispo (Instr. 3,	sed of 4 and (A) or		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)
Common Stock	04/16/2010		S <u>(1)</u>	1,003	D	\$ 17.4392 (2)	1,027,247	I (3)	By the Stapley Family Trust dated April 25, 2006
Common Stock	04/19/2010		S <u>(1)</u>	9,200	D	\$ 17.2833 (4)	1,018,047	I (3)	By the Stapley Family Trust dated

								April 25, 2006
Common Stock	04/20/2010	S <u>(1)</u>	8,400	D	\$ 17.4555 (5)	1,009,647	I (3)	By the Stapley Family Trust dated April 25, 2006

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)	4. Transa Code (Instr.	8) I	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Secur	int of rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (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

Stapley Gregory K. 27101 PUERTA REAL, SUITE 450

Executive Vice President

MISSION VIEJO, CA 92691

Signatures

/s/ Suzanne Snapper, as power of attorney 04/20/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5(1) trading plan adopted by the reporting person on February 26, 2010.
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$17.40 to \$17.48. The price above reflects the weighted average (2) sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request by the Commission staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (3) These shares are directly owned by the Stapley Family Trust dated April 25, 2006 and indirectly by Gregory K. Stapley as Trustee of the trust. Gregory K. Stapley is an officer of the issuer.
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$17.20 to \$17.44. The price above reflects the weighted average (4) sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request by the Commission staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$17.31 to \$17.68. The price above reflects the weighted average (5) sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request by the Commission staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

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