

NURTHEN WILLIAM
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FORM 4

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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 *
NURTHEN WILLIAM

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ARI NETWORK SERVICES INC
/WI [ARIS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Chief Financial Officer

(Last) (First) (Middle)

10850 WEST PARK
PLACE, SUITE 1200

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
08/29/2017

MILWAUKEE, WI 53224

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Stock | 08/29/2017 | | M | | 22,000 | A | \$ 0 77,870 |
| Common Stock | 08/29/2017 | | D ⁽¹⁾ | | 77,870 | D | \$ 7.1 0 |

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) | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Restricted Stock | \$ 0 ⁽²⁾ | 08/29/2017 | | M | 22,000 | ⁽²⁾ | 03/04/2019 | Common Stock | 22,000 |
| Restricted Stock | \$ 0 ⁽³⁾ | 08/29/2017 | | D ⁽³⁾ | 33,000 | ⁽³⁾ | ⁽³⁾ | Common Stock | 33,000 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 3.25 | 08/29/2017 | | D ⁽⁴⁾ | 75,000 | 07/31/2014 | 01/10/2024 | Common Stock | 75,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| NURTHEN WILLIAM 10850 WEST PARK PLACE SUITE 1200 MILWAUKEE, WI 53224 | | | Chief Financial Officer | |

Signatures

Mary L. Pierson (pursuant to Power of Attorney previously filed) 08/30/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) Pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger (the "Merger Agreement") dated June 20, 2017 among the Issuer, Expedition Holdings LLC ("Parent") and Expedition Merger Sub, Inc., at the effective time (the "Effective Time") of the merger (the "Merger") contemplated under the Merger Agreement, each unvested share of restricted stock of the Issuer vested, and each share of Issuer common stock converted into the right to receive \$7.10 in cash.

(2) 22,000 shares of performance-based restricted stock vested in connection with the Merger.

(3) 33,000 outstanding shares of performance-based restricted stock were cancelled in connection with the Merger.

(4)

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At the Effective Time of the Merger, outstanding options to purchase shares of Issuer common stock were cancelled and converted into the right to receive, for each share of Issuer common stock subject to the option, an amount in cash equal to (x) \$7.10, minus (y) the sum of (1) the exercise price per share of common stock of such option, and (2) any applicable withholding amounts, except that the Reporting Person's options with respect to 27,662 shares were rolled over to options to acquire 196,400 units of an affiliate of the Parent at an exercise price of \$0.458 per unit.

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