

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * <u>MCGONEGAL JEFFREY</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O RIOT PLATFORMS, INC.</u> <u>3855 AMBROSIA STREET, STE. 301</u> (Street) <u>CASTLE ROCK CO 80109</u> (City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Riot Platforms, Inc. [RIOT]</u> | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) X Senior Advisor |
| | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>01/11/2023</u> | |
| | 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) |
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| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 01/11/2023 | | F | | 13,200 ⁽¹⁾ | D | \$4.22 | 876,280 | D | |

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) |
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| | | | | Code | V | | (A) | (D) | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Shares surrendered to the Issuer, in accordance with Rule 16b-3 under the Exchange Act, to cover tax liabilities incident to the vesting of 29,334 performance-based restricted shares of the Issuer's Common Stock, previously issued to the Reporting Person as restricted stock awards, which are eligible to vest, if at all, based on the Issuer's achievement of performance objectives established under the performance plan, as previously reported on Form 4 by the Reporting Person. Pursuant to the equity award agreements between the Issuer and the Reporting Person covering such awards, vested shares may be surrendered to the Issuer by the Reporting Person to cover applicable taxes incurred in connection with the vesting of such shares, as authorized and approved by the Issuer's Compensation and Human Resources Committee, which administers the Plan.

/s/ Alexander K. Travis, Attorney-in-Fact for Jeffrey McGonegal 01/13/2023

** 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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