

MKS INSTRUMENTS INC

Form 4

February 14, 2017

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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See Instruction  
1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Abrams John R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2 TECH DRIVE, SUITE 201

(Street)

ANDOVER, MA 01810

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol

MKS INSTRUMENTS INC [MKSI]

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

02/10/2017

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_ Other (specify  
below) below)

Sr. VP, Global Sales &amp; Service

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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Person

**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)
Common Stock	02/10/2017		M	1,722.289	A 11 6,665.076	D	
Common Stock	02/10/2017		M	1,148.526	A 11 7,813.602	D	
Common Stock	02/10/2017		F <sup>(2)</sup>	999	D \$ 66.95 6,814.602	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)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount of Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Unit	(1)	02/10/2017		M		1,722.289		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	1,722.289
Restricted Stock Unit	(1)	02/10/2017		M		1,148.526		(4)	(4)	Common Stock	1,148.526
Restricted Stock Unit	(1)	02/13/2017		J	(5)	1,204.095		(6)	(6)	Common Stock	1,204.095

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Abrams John R 2 TECH DRIVE, SUITE 201 ANDOVER, MA 01810	Sr. VP, Global Sales & Service

## Signatures

/s/ M. Kathryn Rickards,  
attorney-in-fact 02/14/2017

\_\_\_\_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) Each restricted stock unit represents the contingent right to receive one share of common stock of MKS Instruments, Inc.

(2) This transaction was effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan previously adopted by the reporting person.

(3) These RSUs are subject to the achievement of performance criteria determined in the first year of the grant and thereafter vest in equal annual installments over three years.

(4) The RSUs vest in equal annual installments over three years from the respective original grant date.

(5) This transaction reflects the forfeiture of RSUs due to performance criteria.

These RSUs are subject to the achievement of performance criteria determined in the first year of grant and thereafter vest in three equal annual installments beginning on February 15, 2017, provided that if, in any vesting year, February 15th is not a business day, such vesting shall occur on the next business day.

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