

J2 GLOBAL, INC.
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
KRETZMER W BRIAN

(Last) (First) (Middle)

6922 HOLLYWOOD BLVD., 5TH FLOOR

(Street)

LOS ANGELES, CA 90028

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
J2 GLOBAL, INC. [JCOM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/13/2017

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
____ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock \$0.01 Par Value | 02/13/2017 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | 2,000 A \$ 21.67 | 10,297 | D | |
| Common Stock \$0.01 Par Value | 02/13/2017 | | S | 2,000 D \$ 84.3432 | 8,297 | 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) | 8. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Options to Purchase Common Stock | \$ 21.67 | 02/13/2017 | | M | 2,000 | (2) 05/07/2019 | Common Stock \$0.01 Par Value | 2,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| KRETZMER W BRIAN 6922 HOLLYWOOD BLVD. 5TH FLOOR LOS ANGELES, CA 90028 | | | | |

Signatures

/s/ W. Brian Kretzmer 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) These shares were acquired upon exercise of stock options issued under Issuer's 2007 Stock Plan identified as exercised in Part II of this Form 4.
- (2) These stock options vested in five (5) equal annual installments commencing on May 7, 2010.
- (3) Stock options granted for services rendered; no value placed on services rendered.

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