

KAR Auction Services, Inc.
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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 *
 Gottwald Donald S.

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O: KAR AUCTION SERVICES, INC., 13085 HAMILTON CROSSING BLVD.

(Street)

CARMEL, IN 46032

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 KAR Auction Services, Inc. [KAR]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 02/09/2016

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)
 Chief Operating Officer

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)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction of Derivative	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 10						(1)	05/06/2019	Common Stock	165,000
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	02/09/2016	A		4,913		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	4,913

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Gottwald Donald S. C/O: KAR AUCTION SERVICES, INC. 13085 HAMILTON CROSSING BLVD. CARMEL, IN 46032			Chief Operating Officer	

Signatures

Rebecca C. Polak as Attorney
In Fact
Date: 02/11/2016

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

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- (1) All of these performance options are currently exercisable.
- (2) Converts into common stock on a 1-for-1 basis.

The compensation committee certified on February 9, 2016 that the Company achieved the 2015 net income performance goal for the restricted stock unit awards granted in 2015 under the KAR Auction Services, Inc. 2009 Omnibus Stock and Incentive Plan. These

- (3) restricted stock units remain subject to a time-vesting requirement and are scheduled to vest and settle in common stock as follows: one-third of these restricted stock units vest on 2/20/2016, one-third of these restricted stock units vest on 2/20/2017 and the remaining one-third of these restricted stock units vest on 2/20/2018.

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