

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 * MCGONEGAL JEFFREY <small>(Last) (First) (Middle)</small>		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Riot Blockchain, Inc. [RIOT]		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <small>Director</small> _____ <small>10% Owner</small> _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <small>Officer (give title below)</small> _____ <small>Other (specify below)</small> _____ Chief Financial Officer	
C/O RIOT BLOCKCHAIN, INC., 834-F SOUTH PERRY STREET, SUITE 443 <small>(Street)</small>		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/18/2017		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
CASTLE ROCK, CO 80104 <small>(City) (State) (Zip)</small>		4. If Amendment, Date 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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (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 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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	(1)	10/18/2017		J			21,000	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	\$ 0	1,428 (2)	D	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MCGONEGAL JEFFREY C/O RIOT BLOCKCHAIN, INC. 834-F SOUTH PERRY STREET, SUITE 443 CASTLE ROCK, CO 80104			Chief Financial Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey McGonegal	10/20/2017
<small>**Signature of Reporting Person</small>	<small>Date</small>

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) Under the terms of a Retention Agreement entered into as of June 30, 2017, Mr. McGonegal was provided a right to waive his rights to 21,000 outstanding stock options in exchange for a one-time lump-sum payment as defined in the Retention Agreement, which was paid on October 18, 2017 and totaled \$100,013.

(2) Represents shares vested or to be vested within 60 days pursuant to restricted stock awards.

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