MKS INSTRUMENTS INC

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

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

(First)

(Street)

(Ctota)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

MKS INSTRUMENTS INC [MKSI]

(Check all applicable)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 02/10/2016

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title _

below) Sr. VP, Global Sales

Other (specify

2 TECH DRIVE, SUITE 201

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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Person

ANDOVER, MA 01810

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/10/2016		Code V M	Amount 1,722	or (D)	Price (1)	(Instr. 3 and 4) 5,220.287	D	
Common Stock	02/10/2016		M	1,148	A	<u>(1)</u>	6,368.287	D	
Common Stock	02/10/2016		F(2)	1,078	D	\$ 32.7	5,290.287	D	

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Pr Deriv Secu (Inst
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Unit	(1)	02/10/2016		M	1	1,722	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	1,722	2
Restricted Stock Unit	<u>(1)</u>	02/10/2016		M	1	1,148	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	1,148	9

Reporting Owners

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Abrams John R

2 TECH DRIVE, SUITE 201 Sr. VP, Global Sales

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Signatures

/s/Renee M.
Donlan POA

02/11/2016

**Signature of Reporting 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.

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