

BATES THOMAS R JR
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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 *
 BATES THOMAS R JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Independence Contract Drilling, Inc.
 [ICD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 11601 NORTH GALAYDA STREET
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/08/2018

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

HOUSTON, TX 77086

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

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

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)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Stock	02/08/2018		M		17,036	A	\$ 0 63,688

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)

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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 or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	02/08/2018		M	17,036	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	17,036
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	02/08/2018		A	22,422	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	22,422

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BATES THOMAS R JR
 11601 NORTH GALAYDA STREET X
 HOUSTON, TX 77086

Signatures

/s/ Philip A. Choyce, as
 Attorney-in-Fact

02/12/2018

**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 a contingent right to receive one share of ICD's common stock.

(2) The reporting person received a restricted stock unit that vests on the one year anniversary of the date of grant. ICD will settled vested RSUs within 30 days of the date that such RSU's vest.

(3) The directors received an RSU grant that is subject to a one year vesting period. The director has the option to settle 1/3 of the shares underlying the grant in cash or common stock, at the director's election. Vested RSUs will be settled within 30 days of the vesting date.

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