

Stapley Gregory K.
Form 4
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FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Stapley Gregory K.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ENSIGN GROUP, INC [ENSG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
27101 PUERTA REAL, SUITE 450

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
06/26/2012

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

MISSION VIEJO, CA 92691

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price			
Common Stock	06/26/2012		S ⁽⁴⁾		11,300	D	\$ 28.2174 <u>(1)</u>	648,059	I ⁽²⁾	By Stapley Family Trust Dated 4/25/06
Common Stock	06/27/2012		S ⁽⁴⁾		2,650	D	\$ 28.1	645,409	I ⁽²⁾	By Stapley Family Trust dated 4/25/06

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This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$28.1 to \$28.4. The price above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request by the commission staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

- (2) These shares are directly owned by the Stapley Family Trust dated 4/25/2006 and indirectly by Gregory K. Stapley as Trustee of the trust. Gregory K. Stapley is an officer of the issuer.

- (3) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$28.1 to \$28.13. The price above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request by the commission staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

- (4) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on February 28, 2012.

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