

Simpson Thomas E
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
 Simpson Thomas E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 CINCINNATI BELL INC [CBB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 221 EAST FOURTH STREET
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/25/2018

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Chief Operating Officer

CINCINNATI, OH 45202

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | 01/25/2018 | | A | | 12,555 | A | \$ 17.6 |
| Common Stock ⁽²⁾ | 01/25/2018 | | F | | 4,321 | D | \$ 17.6 |
| Common Stock ⁽³⁾ | 01/25/2018 | | A | | 12,784 | A | \$ 17.6 |

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. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
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| | | | | | | | Amount or Number of Shares | | |
| | | | | | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | |
| | | | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Simpson Thomas E 221 EAST FOURTH STREET CINCINNATI, OH 45202 | | | Chief Operating Officer | |

Signatures

Christopher J. Wilson, Attorney in Fact for Thomas E. Simpson
 **Signature of Reporting Person
 01/29/2018
 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) Common shares issued upon vesting of performance units granted under the Cincinnati Bell Inc. 2007 Long Term Incentive Plan which is a Rule 16b-3 Plan.
- (2) Common shares surrendered to cover tax liabilities upon vesting of performance units.
- (3) Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) granted under the Cincinnati Bell Inc. 2017 Long Term Incentive Plan which is a Rule 16b-3 Plan. The RSUs vest on the third anniversary of the grant date. Each RSU constitutes the right to receive one share of Cincinnati Bell common stock upon vesting.

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