KAR Auction Services, Inc.

Form 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Ad Gottwald Do | • | rting Person * | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol KAR Auction Services, Inc. [KAR] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (Check an apprecion) | | | |
| C/O: KAR AUCTION SERVICES, INC., 13085 HAMILTON CROSSING BLVD. | | | (Month/Day/Year) 02/23/2017 | Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Operating Officer | | | |
| | (Street) | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | | |
| CARMEL, IN 46032 | | | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Ac | quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | |

| | | Table 1 Non Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed 61, or Deficientially 6 when | | | | | | | | iy Owned |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|------------------------------------------------|---------------------------|----------|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 3. Transactio | 4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) | | | | 6. Ownership Form: Direct | ı |
| | | | any | Code | | | | | (D) or | |
| | | | (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 5) | Owned Indirect (I) Owne | | | | |
| | | | | | | | Following | (Instr. 4) | (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | Code V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| | Common Stock | | | Couc v | 7 milouit | (D) | 11100 | 2,714.6204 (1) | D | |
| | Common Stock | 02/23/2017 | | M | 1,782 | A | \$ 0 (2) | 1,782 | D | |
| | Common Stock | 02/23/2017 | | F(3) | 565 | D | \$ 44.8 | 1,217 | D | |

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 $(e.g., \, \mathrm{puts}, \, \mathrm{calls}, \, \mathrm{warrants}, \, \mathrm{options}, \, \mathrm{convertible} \, \mathrm{securities})$

| 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) | 5. Numb orDerivativ Securitie Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3, 5) | es d (A) or d of (D) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|-----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount Number Shares |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 10 | | | | | | <u>(4)</u> | 05/06/2019 | Common Stock | 116,2: |
| Restricted Stock Units | <u>(5)</u> | | | | | | <u>(6)</u> | <u>(6)</u> | Common Stock | 1,638 |
| Restricted Stock Units | <u>(5)</u> | 02/23/2017 | | A | 5,344 | | <u>(7)</u> | <u>(7)</u> | Common Stock | 5,344 |
| Restricted Stock Units | <u>(2)</u> | 02/23/2017 | | M | | 1,782 | <u>(8)</u> | (8) | Common Stock | 1,782 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | | | | |
|--------------------------------|----------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Gottweld Donald S | | | | |

Gottwald Donald S.

C/O: KAR AUCTION SERVICES, INC. 13085 HAMILTON CROSSING BLVD. CARMEL, IN 46032

Chief Operating Officer

Signatures

Rebecca C. Polak as Attorney 02/27/2017 In Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

2 Reporting Owners

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) Includes 620.6204 shares acquired (including 11.4586 shares acquired by dividend reinvestment) pursuant to the Company's Employee Stock Purchase Plan on May 31, 2016.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit is convertible into a share of common stock on a 1-for-1 basis. The restricted stock units vested in common stock on February 23, 2017.
- (3) Shares withheld by the Company to satisfy tax withholding requirements.
- (4) All of these options are currently exercisable.
- (5) Each restricted stock unit is convertible into a share of common stock on a 1-for-1 basis.
- These restricted stock units remain subject to a time-vesting requirement and are scheduled to vest and settle in common stock as follows: one-third of these restricted stock units vested on February 20, 2016, one-third of these restricted stock units vested on February 20, 2017 and the remaining one-third of these restricted stock units vest on February 20, 2018, assuming continued employment through the applicablevesting date.
- The compensation committee certified on February 23, 2017 that the Company achieved the 2016 net income performance goal for the restricted stock unit awards granted in 2016 under the KAR Auction Services, Inc. 2009 Omnibus Stock and Incentive Plan. These restricted stock units remain subject to a time-vesting requirement and are scheduled to vest and settle in common stock as follows: one-third of these restricted stock units vested on February 23, 2017, one-third of these restricted stock units vest on February 22, 2018 and the remaining one-third of these restricted stock units vest on February 22, 2019, assuming continued employment through the applicable vesting date.
- These restricted stock units remain subject to a time-vesting requirement and are scheduled to vest and settle in common stock as follows: one-third of these restricted stock units vested on February 23, 2017, one-third of these restricted stock units vest on February 22, 2018 and the remaining one-third of these restricted stock units vest on February 22, 2019, assuming continued employment through the applicable vesting date.

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