

THOMPSON CRAIG A  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
THOMPSON CRAIG A

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
11465 JOHNS CREEK  
PARKWAY, SUITE 400  
(Street)

JOHNS CREEK, GA 30097

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
SAIA INC [SAIA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/06/2018

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Executive VP of Operations

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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)
				(A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	02/06/2018		A	818 <sup>(1)</sup> A \$ 0	4,445	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., 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 (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
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 73.35	02/06/2018		A	2,300	02/06/2021	02/06/2025	Common Stock	2,300
Phantom Stock	(2)					(3)	(4)	Common Stock	310.234
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 27.45					02/09/2019	02/09/2023	Common Stock	6,060
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 46.35					02/07/2020	02/07/2024	Common Stock	1,740

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
THOMPSON CRAIG A 11465 JOHNS CREEK PARKWAY SUITE 400 JOHNS CREEK, GA 30097			Executive VP of Operations	

## Signatures

/s/ Stephanie R. Maschmeier 02/08/2018

\*\*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) Restricted shares granted as part of the long-term incentive program approved by the Compensation Committee. The restricted stock award cliff vests in year three.
- (2)

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The conversion rate of this derivative security on February 6, 2018 is 1.1841 resulting in 367.35 shares of common stock (underlying security in column 7).

(3) Immediate

(4) The shares of phantom stock become payable in the Company's common stock upon reporting person's termination of service as an employee, in accordance with the terms of the Plan.

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