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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Flanders Cynthia

(First)

(Street)

(State)

(Middle)

(Zip)

Symbol ARGAN INC [AGX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

(Month/Day/Year) 12/27/2017

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Officer (give title

(Check all applicable)

10006 WILDWOOD RD

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X_ Director

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

below)

KENSINGTON, MD 20895

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

(1)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

10% Owner Other (specify

Code V Common 12/27/2017 M

(A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Amount (D) Price 3,000 \$

26.88

15,000 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number on f Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	te	7. Title and Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option to purchase Common Stock	\$ 26.88	12/27/2017		M	3,000 (1)	12/17/2014	12/17/2023	Common Stock	3,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Flanders Cynthia 10006 WILDWOOD RD KENSINGTON, MD 20895	X						

Signatures

/s/ Cynthia
Flanders

**Signature of Reporting Person

12/28/2017

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) On December 27, 2017, the Reporting Person exercised her stock option to purchase 3,000 shares of the Issuer's common stock at a price of \$26.88 per share.

As of the date of this filing, the total number of options owned by the Reporting Person includes (a) options to acquire 7,000 shares of common stock at a price of \$26.88 per share with Date Exercisable of 12/17/2014 and Expiration Date of 12/17/2023; (b) options to

(2) acquire 10,000 shares of common stock at a price of \$31.82 with Date Exercisable of 12/11/2015 and Expiration Date of 12/11/2024; (c) options to acquire 10,000 shares of common stock at a price of \$30.44 per share with Date Exercisable of 1/7/2017 and Expiration Date of 1/7/2026; and (d) options to acquire 10,000 shares of common stock at a price of \$71.75 per share with Date Exercisable of 1/5/2018 and Expiration Date of 1/5/2027.

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