

THAXTON GREGORY 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 \*  
THAXTON GREGORY A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
NORDSON CORP [NDSN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
28601 CLEMENS ROAD

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
01/08/2018

\_\_\_\_ Director  
\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below)  
\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

Senior Vice President, CFO

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

WESTLAKE, OH 44145

(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	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	01/08/2018		S		3,868	D	\$ 148.28
Common Stock					1,388	I	By Company ESOP Plan <sup>(2)</sup>
Common Stock					7,152	I	By Company Savings Plan <sup>(3)</sup>

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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 or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 14.37					(4)	12/04/2018	Common Stock	13,100
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 27.26					(4)	12/03/2019	Common Stock	11,250
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 43.32					(4)	12/07/2020	Common Stock	11,400
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 43.73					(4)	11/28/2021	Common Stock	13,000
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 61.59					(4)	11/28/2022	Common Stock	11,000
	\$ 71.75					(4)	11/25/2023		11,000



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(3) Represents the number of shares attributable to the reporting person's participation in the Company's Savings Plan, exempt pursuant to Rule 16b-3(c).

(4) All such options have fully vested

On November 24, 2014, the Company awarded 12,200 stock options under the Company's 2012 Stock Incentive and Award Plan. The (5) options vest in 4 equal annual installments beginning on November 24, 2015. The vested portions of such options will become exercisable upon vesting.

On November 23, 2015, the Company awarded 17,200 stock options under the Company's 2012 Stock Incentive and Award Plan. The (6) options vest in 4 equal annual installments beginning on November 23, 2016. The vested portions of such options will become exercisable upon vesting.

On November 21, 2016, the Company awarded 14,000 stock options under the Company's 2012 Stock Incentive and Award Plan. The (7) options vest in 4 equal annual installments beginning on November 21, 2017. The vested portions of such options will become exercisable upon vesting.

On November 20, 2017, the Company awarded 12,500 stock options under the Company's 2012 Stock Incentive and Award Plan. The (8) options vest in 4 equal annual installments beginning on November 20, 2018. The vested portions of such options will become exercisable upon vesting.

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