

Kalsu James Barton
Form 4
December 17, 2012

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Kalsu James Barton

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O SOLARWINDS, INC., 3711 S.
MOPAC EXPY., BLDG. TWO

(Street)

AUSTIN, TX 78746

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
SolarWinds, Inc. [SWI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/13/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title _____ Other (specify
below) below)
Chief Account. & SVP, Finance

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

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	12/13/2012		M		5,000	A \$ 4.3467	24,941 D
Common Stock	12/13/2012		S		5,000 (1)	D \$ 55	19,941 D

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(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. Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 4.3467	12/13/2012		M	5,000	(2) 10/25/2017	Common Stock	5,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Kalsu James Barton C/O SOLARWINDS, INC. 3711 S. MOPAC EXPY., BLDG. TWO AUSTIN, TX 78746	Director 10% Owner Officer Chief Account. & SVP, Finance

Signatures

/s/ Bryan A. Sims,
Attorney-in-Fact 12/17/2012

**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) Shares sold pursuant to a 10b5-1 Trading Plan.
- (2) 1/4th of the shares subject to the grant vested and became exercisable on August 27, 2008 and 1/48th of the shares vested and became exercisable each month thereafter.

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