

RAMU RAYMOND R  
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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 \*  
RAMU RAYMOND R

(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)  
02/07/2019

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)  
Exec. VP & Chief Customer Off.

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount or Price   |  |                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 02/07/2019                           |  | A                              |   | 2,130<br>(1)<br>\$ 66.03  | A  | 14,010 D                          |
| Common Stock                    | 02/07/2019                           |  | A                              |   | 9,290<br>(2)<br>\$ 0  | A  | 23,300 D                          |
| Common Stock                    | 02/07/2019                           |  | F                              |   | 2,820<br>(3)<br>\$ 66.03  | D  | 20,480 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)

| 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)               | \$ 66.03   | 02/07/2019                           |  | A                              |  | 6,500  |     | 02/07/2022  | 02/07/2026      | Common Stock | 6,500                      |
| Phantom Stock                              | (4)  |                                      |  |                                |  |  |     | (5)   | (6)             | Common Stock | 7,073.24                   |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy)               | \$ 27.45   |                                      |  |                                |  |  |     | 02/08/2019  | 02/08/2023      | Common Stock | 13,440                     |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy)               | \$ 43.01   |                                      |  |                                |  |  |     | 02/03/2018  | 02/03/2022      | Common Stock | 4,500                      |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy)               | \$ 46.35   |                                      |  |                                |  |  |     | 02/07/2020  | 02/07/2024      | Common Stock | 3,580                      |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy)               | \$ 73.35   |                                      |  |                                |  |  |     | 02/06/2021  | 02/06/2025      | Common Stock | 3,920                      |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                                |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                        | Other |
| RAMU RAYMOND R<br>11465 JOHNS CREEK PARKWAY, SUITE 400<br>JOHNS CREEK, GA 30097 |               |           | Exec. VP & Chief Customer Off. |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Stephanie R.  
Maschmeier

02/11/2019

\_\_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) Issuance of Performance Unit Awards under the 2011 Omnibus Incentive Plan for the 1/1/16-12/31/18 performance period.
- (3) Shares withheld at officer's election to cover tax liabilities incurred upon the issuance of Performance Unit Awards under the 2011 Omnibus Incentive Plan for the 1/1/16-12/31/18 performance period.
- (4) The conversion rate of this derivative security on February 7, 2019 is 1.1913 resulting in 8,426.514 shares of common stock (underlying security in column 7).
- (5) Immediate
- (6) 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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