Independence Contract Drilling, Inc.

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Thompson Joseph Scott

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

Independence Contract Drilling, Inc.

[ICD]

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Month/Day/Year) 02/22/2016

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)

11601 NORTH GALAYDA **STREET**

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

> > Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

See Remarks

Applicable Line)

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

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Issuer

HOUSTON, TX 77086

(City)

(Instr. 3)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(State)

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

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

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 Conversion 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

5. Number of (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactiorDerivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount of 8. 1 Underlying Securities

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		(
				Code V	(A) (D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	02/22/2016		A	40,000	(2)	(2)	Common Stock	40,000	

(In

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Thompson Joseph Scott

11601 NORTH GALAYDA STREET

See Remarks

HOUSTON, TX 77086

Signatures

/s/ Philip A. Choyce, as Attorney-in-Fact

02/24/2016

**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) Each restricted stock unit represents a contintent right to receive one share of ICD's common stock.
- The reporting person received a restricted stock unit subject to a three-year vesting schedule, vesting 1/3 on the first anniversary of the date of grant, 1/3 on the second anniversary of the date of grant, and 1/3 on the third anniversary of the date of grant. ICD will settled vested RSUIs within 30 days of the date that such RSU's vest.

Remarks:

Vice President - Human Resources and Administration

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