Heering Kevin P. Form 4 October 25, 2017

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Heering Kevin P. Issuer Symbol ADTRAN INC [ADTN] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title 901 EXPLORER BLVD. 10/23/2017 below) Sr VP Quality & Administration (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting HUNTSVILLE, AL 35806 Person

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tabl | le I - Non-I | Derivative | Secui | rities Acqu | ired, Disposed of | , or Beneficiall | y Owned |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|---|-------|--|--|---|---------|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired or(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | Code V | Amount | | Price | (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| Common Stock | 10/23/2017 | | M | 6,283 | A | \$ 15.29 | 10,162 | D | |
| Common Stock | 10/23/2017 | | M | 3,526 | A | \$ 16.97 | 13,688 | D | |
| Common Stock | 10/23/2017 | | S | 9,809 | D | \$ 21.595 | 3,879 | 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. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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) | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|-----|--|---------------------|---|-----------------|--|
| | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 15.29 | 10/23/2017 | | M | | 6,283 | 11/06/2009 | 11/06/2018 | Common Stock | 6,283 |
| Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 16.97 | 10/23/2017 | | M | | 3,526 | 11/03/2013 | 11/03/2022 | Common Stock | 3,526 |

Reporting Owners

| D 4 0 N / 11 | Relationships | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|--|--|
| Reporting Owner Name / Address | | | |

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Heering Kevin P.

901 EXPLORER BLVD. Sr VP Quality & Administration HUNTSVILLE, AL 35806

Signatures

Brandon Dang, by power of attorney 10/25/2017

**Signature of Reporting Person Dat

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).
- The shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$21.55 to \$21.60. This amount represents the weighted average sale (1) price of such transactions. The reporting person undertakes to provide full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price upon request by the Securities and Exchange Commission, the Issuer, or a security holder of the Issuer.

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