

CRAFT JOSEPH W III

Form 4

August 01, 2017

**FORM 4**
**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
CRAFT JOSEPH W III

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
ALLIANCE RESOURCE  
PARTNERS LP [ARLP]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
1717 S. BOULDER  
AVENUE, SUITE 400

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
07/28/2017

☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner  
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)  
President and Chief Executive

(Street)

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

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

TULSA, OK 74119

(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)
Common Unit	07/28/2017		J <sup>(4)</sup>	56,100,000	A <u>(4)</u> 87,188,338	I	By Alliance Holdings GP, L.P. <sup>(5)</sup>
Common Unit	07/28/2017		J <sup>(4)</sup>	7,181	A <u>(4)</u> 7,181	I	By Alliance Resource GP, LLC <sup>(5)</sup>
					357,452	D	

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Common  
Unit

Common  
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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 of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom unit	(1)					(2)	(3)	Common unit	201,103

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CRAFT JOSEPH W III 1717 S. BOULDER AVENUE SUITE 400 TULSA, OK 74119	X	X	President and Chief Executive	

## Signatures

/s/ Joseph W. Craft by Kenneth Hemm, pursuant to power of attorney dated April 10, 2013

08/01/2017

\_\_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).

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- (1) 1 for 1
- (2) The Phantom units are to be settled in ARLP common units upon the reporting person's death or termination.
- (3) Not applicable

- On July 28, 2017, (i) Alliance Resource Management GP, LLC ("MGP") contributed to Alliance Resource Partners, L.P. ("ARLP") all of its incentive distribution rights representing non-voting interests in ARLP together with its 0.99% general partner interest in ARLP in exchange for a non-economic general partner interest in ARLP and 56,100,000 common units representing limited partner interests in ARLP, and (ii) Alliance Resource GP, LLC ("SGP") contributed to ARLP its 0.01% general partner interest in ARLP and its 0.01% general partner interest in Alliance Resource Operating Partners, L.P. in exchange for 7,181 common units of ARLP. MGP then distributed its 56,100,000 common units of ARLP to its sole member MGP II, LLC ("MGP II").
- (4)

- Mr. Craft indirectly wholly owns Alliance GP, LLC, the general partner of AHGP, which wholly owns MGP II and directly owns
- (5) 31,088,338 common units of ARLP. Mr. Craft and Kathleen S. Craft jointly own SGP. Mr. Craft disclaims beneficial ownership of the common units of ARLP held by AHGP, MGP II and SGP except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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