

Stapley Gregory K.
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FORM 5

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Stapley Gregory K.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ENSIGN GROUP, INC [ENSG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Vice President

(Last) (First) (Middle)
27101 PUERTA REAL, SUITE 450
(Street)

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)
12/31/2009

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting (check applicable line)

MISSION VIEJO, CA 92691

Form Filed by One Reporting Person
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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 at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/02/2009	Â	G	8,750 D \$ 0	1,046,050	I	By Stapley Family Trust Dated April 25, 2006 ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock	12/17/2009	Â	G	7,800 D \$ 0	1,038,250	I	By Stapley Family Trust Dated April 25, 2006 ⁽¹⁾

Common Stock	12/30/2009	Â	G	200	D	\$ 0	45,300	I	By Marian K. Stapley Revocable Trust Dated April 29, 1965 ⁽²⁾
Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	21,750	I	By wife as UTMA

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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)	9. of D Se B O E Is Fi (I
					(A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Stapley Gregory K. 27101 PUERTA REAL, SUITE 450 MISSION VIEJO, CA 92691	Â	Â	Â	Vice President Â

Signatures

Daniel H. Walker, as attorney in fact
02/16/2010
**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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)

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These shares are directly owned by the Stapley Family Trust dated April 25, 2006 and indirectly by Gregory K. Stapley as Trustee of the trust. Gregory K. Stapley is an officer of the issuer.

- These shares are directly owned by the Marian K. Stapley Revocable Trust dated April 29, 1965 and indirectly by Gregory K. Stapley as
- (2) Trustee of the trust. Gregory K. Stapley is an officer of the issuer. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.

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