## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

| <b>STATEMENT</b> | OF CHANGES | IN BENEFICIAL | <b>OWNERSHIP</b> |
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|--|---|--|--|---|---|-----------------|---|---|---|-----|---|---|---|---|----------------|---|---------------------------------------|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Lowenstein Arnold J  (Last) (First) (Middle)  200 CLARENDON STREET |   |  |  | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol CRA INTERNATIONAL, INC. [ CRAI ] |   |                 |   |   |   |     |   |   | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner  V Officer (give title Other (specify |   |                |   |                                       |  |
|  |   |  |  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/08/2016                         |   |                 |   |   |   |     |   |   | X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  EVP, Chief Strategy Officer  |   |                |   |                                       |  |
| (Street) BOSTON MA 02116   |   | 4. If  | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) |   |   |                 |   |   |   |     |   | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |   |   |                |   |                                       |  |
| (City)   | (Stat   |  | Zip)   |   |   |                 |   |   |   |     |   |   |   |   |                |   |                                       |  |
| 1. Title of Se   | ecurity (Instr.   |  | 2. T<br>Dat  | ransaction  |   | 2A. De<br>Execu | Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  Idment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  A. Deemed Accution Date, any Month/Day/Year)  Code   V   Amount   (A) or   Price   Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  Code   V   Amount   (A) or   Price   Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  S   2,000(1)   D   \$36    Irrities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owns, warrants, options, convertible securities)  S. Number of Derivative Securities (Month/Day/Year)  S. Number of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  S. Number of Underlying Derivative Securities (Month/Day/Year)  S. Number of Derivative Securities (Month/Day/Year)  S. Number of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  S. Number of Underlying Derivative Securities (Month/Day/Year)  S. Number of Date (Month/Day/Year)  S. Number of Securities (Month/Day/Year)  S. Number of Date (Month/Day/Year)  S. Number of Securities (Month/Day/Year)  S. Number of Date (Month/Day/Year)  S. Number of D | 5. Amour<br>Securitie<br>Beneficia<br>Owned F | unt of 6. Owne ies Form: D (D) or In Following (I) (Instr |     | : Direct   I<br>r Indirect   I<br>str. 4)   (                         | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership   |   |   |                |   |                                       |  |
|  |   |  |  |   |   |                 | +   | v   |   | (D) |   | Reported<br>Transact<br>(Instr. 3 a   | ion(s)<br>and 4)  |   |                | (Instr. 4)  |                                       |  |
| Common S   | tock  |  | 1  | 2/08/201  | 6   |                 |   |   | S   |     | 2,000(1   | I) D  | \$30  | 30,   | 147            |   | D                                     |  |
|  |   | Ta   |  |   |   |                 |   |   |   |     |   |   |   | Owned   |                |   |                                       |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)  | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)  3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) |  | Code  | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) Set Acci (A) Dis of (Instr. 8) |                 | 5. Number of EDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4  |   | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date                   |     | 7. Title and Amou<br>of Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative Securi |   | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5)   | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4) | e<br>S<br>Illy | Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
|  |   |  |  | Code  | v   | (A              | A) (E   | D)  |   |     |   | Title   | or<br>Number<br>of  |   |                |   |                                       |  |
| Nonqualified<br>Stock<br>Option (right<br>to buy)  | \$21.91   |  |  |   |   |                 |   |   | 11/14/2011 <sup>(</sup>                                   | 2)  | 11/14/2018  |   | 9,600   |   | 9,600          | )   | D                                     |  |
| Nonqualified<br>Stock<br>Option (right<br>to buy)  | \$18.48   |  |  |   |   |                 |   |   | 11/19/2013 <sup>(</sup>                                   | (2) | 11/19/2020  |   | 12,973  | 3   | 12,97          | 3   | D                                     |  |
| Restricted<br>Stock Units  | (3)   |  |  |   |   |                 |   |   | (4)   |     | (4)   |   | 1,622   |   | 1,622          | 2   | D                                     |  |
| Restricted<br>Stock Units  | (3)   |  |  |   |   |                 |   |   | (4)   |     | (4)   |   | 1,600   |   | 1,600          | )   | D                                     |  |
| Nonqualified<br>Stock<br>Option (right<br>to buy)  | \$30.97   |  |  |   |   |                 |   |   | 11/20/2014 <sup>(</sup>                                   | (2) | 11/20/2021  |   | 7,500   |   | 7,500          | )   | D                                     |  |
| Restricted<br>Stock Units  | (3)   |  |  |   |   |                 |   |   | (5)   |     | (5)   |   | 1,876   |   | 1,876          | 5   | D                                     |  |
| Nonqualified<br>Stock<br>Option (right<br>to buy)  | \$21.52   |  |  |   |   |                 |   |   | 11/12/2015 <sup>(</sup>                                   | (2) | 11/12/2022  |   | 7,826   |   | 7,826          | 5   | D                                     |  |
| Restricted<br>Stock Units  | (3)   |  |  |   |   |                 |   |   | (6)   |     | (6)   |   | 2,935   |   | 2,935          | 5   | D                                     |  |
| Nonqualified<br>Stock<br>Options<br>(right to<br>buy)  | \$30.96   |  |  |   |   |                 |   |   | 11/14/2016 <sup>(</sup>                                   | (2) | 11/14/2023  |   | 6,000   |   | 6,000          | )   | D                                     |  |
| Restricted   | (3)   |  |  |   |   |                 |   |   | (7)   |     | (7)   | Common  | 3,000   |   | 3,000          | )   | D                                     |  |

## Explanation of Responses:

- $1. \ This \ sale \ was \ effected \ pursuant \ to \ a \ Rule \ 10b5-1 \ trading \ plan \ adopted \ by \ the \ reporting \ person.$
- 2. Date indicated is date of grant. Options vest in four equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the date of grant.
- 3. Each restricted stock unit ("RSU") represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock; vested RSUs are payable in the form of cash, shares of the Issuer's common stock or a combination thereof, except as otherwise indicated below. To the extent vested RSUs are paid in shares of the Issuer's common stock, such shares will be delivered to the reporting person as soon as possible after vesting, but in no event later than two and one-half months after the end of the year in which vesting occurs, subject to the collection of withholding taxes. Dividend equivalent rights accrue with respect to unvested RSUs in the form of additional RSUs ("Dividend Units") when and as dividends are paid on the Issuer's common stock, and Dividend Units vest on the same dates and in the same relative proportions as the RSUs on which they accrue.
- 4. The RSUs vest on November 19, 2017.

5. The RSUs vest in two equal annual installments beginning on November 20, 2017.

- $6.\ The\ RSUs$  vest in three equal annual installments beginning on November 12, 2017.
- 7. The RSUs vest in four equal annual installments beginning on November 14, 2017.

<u>Delia J. Makhlouta, by power of attorney</u>

12/09/2016

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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