

MELARKEY MICHAEL J  
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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 MELARKEY MICHAEL J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

ONE CORPORATE CENTER

(Street)

RYE, NY 10580

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 GDL FUND [GDL.C]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 03/29/2018

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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 Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Price			
Series C Cumulative Puttable and Callable Preferred Shares	03/29/2018		J(1)	3,038 A \$ 50	3,038	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)

Table with columns: 1. Title of Derivative Security, 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security, 3. Transaction Date, 3A. Deemed Execution Date, 4. Transaction Code, 5. Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D), 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date, 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities, 8. Price of Derivative Security, 9. Number of Derivative Securities.

Reporting Owners

Table with columns: Reporting Owner Name / Address, Relationships (Director, 10% Owner, Officer, Other). Entry for MELARKEY MICHAEL J, ONE CORPORATE CENTER, RYE, NY 10580 with an 'X' in the 10% Owner column.

Signatures

Bruce N. Alpert as Attorney-in-Fact for Michael J. Melarkey, 04/03/2018
\*\*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) The reporting person acquired these Series C preferred shares through a primary and pro-rata oversubscription allocation based on the exercise of preferred share purchase rights and also surrendering his Series B preferred shares.

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