AYLWARD GEORGE R

Form 4

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

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1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * AYLWARD GEORGE R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

VIRTUS INVESTMENT PARTNERS, INC. [VRTS]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(Middle)

(Zip)

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

_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title below)

02/13/2018

Other (specify Director, CEO and President

C/O VIRTUS INVESTMENT PARTNERS, 100 PEARL STREET

(Street)

(State)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

HARTFORD, CT 06103

(City)

(City)	(State)	Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative S	Securi	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	y 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. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4	sposed	of (D)	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 Stock	02/13/2018		M	19,521 (1)	A	\$ 31.38	174,324.52	D	
Common Stock	02/13/2018		F	10,590 (2)	D	\$ 123.5	163,734.52 (3)	D	
Common Stock							70.062	I	By 401k

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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)	TransactionDerivative Code Securities		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
Stock Options	\$ 31.38	02/13/2018		M		19,521	02/13/2011	02/13/2018	Common Stock	19,521

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
AYLWARD GEORGE R C/O VIRTUS INVESTMENT PARTNERS 100 PEARL STREET HARTFORD, CT 06103	X		Director, CEO and President					

Signatures

/s/Mark S. Flynn,
Attorney-in-Fact
02/15/2018

**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) Acquisition of common stock upon exercise of expiring employee stock options.
- (2) Exempt disposition to the Issuer under Rule 16b-3(e) to satisfy option exercise price and tax withholding obligations.

This number includes (i) 1,442.104 shares acquired in connection with the Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan (ii)14,686 RSUs that (3) are scheduled to cliff vest on March 15, 2019; and (iii) 10,275 RSUs that are scheduled to cliff vest on March 15, 2020. RSUs will be settled for shares of common stock on a one-for-one basis upon vesting.

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