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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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Check this box to indicate that a transaction was made pursuant to a contract, instruction or written plan for the purchase or sale of equity securities of the issuer that is intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c). See Instruction 10.

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * <u>Hill John P</u> <hr/> (Last) (First) (Middle) 7050 WINNETKA AVE. N. SUITE 100 <hr/> (Street) BROOKLYN MN 55428 <hr/> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Clearfield, Inc. [ CLFD ]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Chief Operating Officer
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/16/2023	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	

**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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	11/16/2023		F <sup>(1)</sup>		310	D	\$26.18	175,985	D	
Common Stock	11/16/2023		F <sup>(2)</sup>		172	D	\$26.18	175,813	D	
Common Stock	11/16/2023		F <sup>(3)</sup>		1,019	D	\$26.18	174,794	D	
Restricted Stock <sup>(4)</sup>	11/16/2023		A		19,098	A	\$0	193,892	D	

**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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					

**Explanation of Responses:**

1. Payment of taxes by withholding shares on vesting the last 33% of restricted stock that was granted on November 16, 2020.
2. Payment of taxes by withholding shares on vesting the second 33% of restricted stock that was granted on November 16, 2021.
3. Payment of taxes by withholding shares on vesting the first 33% of restricted stock that was granted on February 24, 2023.
4. The restricted stock vests as to one-third of the shares on November 16, 2024, November 16, 2025 and November 16, 2026 subject to the reporting person's continued employment through each such date.

Darrell Hammond by Power of Attorney for John P. Hill 11/20/2023

\*\* 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).

\*\* 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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