## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  SHIELDS MARIA T |  |      |                                   |         | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ANSYS INC [ ANSS ] |  |   |  |         |     |   |              |               | Check | all app  | licable)  |   | o Issuer<br>o Owner<br>er (specify |    |  |
|---|--|------|-----------------------------------|---------|--|--|---|--|---------|-----|---|--------------|---------------|-------|--|---|---|------------------------------------|----|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 2600 ANSYS DRIVE SOUTHPOINTE      |  |      |                                   |         | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/03/2018    |  |   |  |         |     |   |              |               | X     | belov  | v) `  | bel<br>ance and A   | ow)                                |    |  |
| (Street) CANONSBURG PA 15367 (City) (State) (Zip)         |  |      |                                   |         | 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 |   |   |                                    |    |  |
|   |  | Tabl | e I - Noi                         | າ-Deri\ | ative/   | Se   | curitie   | s Acc  | quired, | Dis | posed o                                   | f, o         | r Ben         | efici | ally   | Owne  | ed  |                                    |    |  |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/E  |  |      |                                   |         | ar)   i  | Execution if any   | A. Deemed<br>xecution Date,<br>any<br>Month/Day/Year) |  |         |     | ities Acquired (A)<br>d Of (D) (Instr. 3, |              |               |       | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned Following<br>Reported  |   | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | of Indirect                        |    |  |
|   |  |      |                                   |         |  |  |   |  |         | v   | Amount                                    |              | (A) or<br>(D) | Price | •  | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)                        |   |                                    | (, |  |
| Common Stock 03/0   |  |      |                                   |         | 3/2018   | 3  |   |  | A       |     | 8,812(1)                                  |              | A             | \$0   |  | 97,308(2)   |   | D                                  |    |  |
|   | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |      |                                   |         |  |  |   |  |         |     |   |              |               |       |  |   |   |                                    |    |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)       | erivative Conversion Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any  |      | Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8) |         | of Derive Security Acque (A) or Disposof (D) (Instr            | of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4<br>and 5) |   | Date  Expiration  Date  Date  Expiration  Expiration  Date  Expiration  Date |         |     | or  | ount<br>nber | nt<br>er      |       | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction<br>(Instr. 4)                        | Ownersh<br>Form:<br>Direct (D<br>or Indire<br>(I) (Instr. | Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>t (Instr. 4)                           |                                    |    |  |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Represents restricted stock units ("Restricted Stock Units") issued under the Fifth Amended and Restated ANSYS, Inc. 1996 Stock Option and Grant Plan. The grant of Restricted Stock Units shall vest 33% annually in equal installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date. Each Restricted Stock Unit is settled solely for one share of Common Stock.

2. Includes 36,673 Restricted Stock Units

# Remarks:

Janet Lee, Attorney-in-Fact 03/06/2018

\*\* 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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