FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person* Thompson Patrick Ryan | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MediaAlpha, Inc. [MAX] | | | | | | | | | Relationship leck all appli Directo | cable) or | g Pers | 10% Ov | vner | | |
|---|--|------------|---|--|--|---|-------|--|----------------------|---|---------|------------------------|--|---|---|--|---|--|--|--|
| (Last) | (F DIAALPH | • | (Middle) | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/15/2023 | | | | | | | | | X Officer below) | r (give title) See Rema | | Other (s below) ks | specify | |
| 700 SOUTH FLOWER STREET, SUITE 640 | | | | 4. If <i>i</i> | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) | | | | | | |
| (Street) | GELES C | A | 90017 | | | | | | | | | | | X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | | |
| (City) | (S | tate) | (Zip) | | Ru | Rule 10b5-1(c) Transaction Indication | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | Check this box to indicate that a transaction was made pursuant to a contract, instruction or written plan that is intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c). See Instruction 10. | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Tab | le I - No | n-Deriv | ative/ | Sec | curit | ies Ac | quired, | Dis | posed (| of, or | Ben | eficial | ly Owne | d | | | | |
| | | | Date | |) E | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. | | 4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5) | | | Benefic Owned | es ially Following | Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | ount (A | | Price | Reporte Transac (Instr. 3 | tion(s) | | | (Instr. 4) | |
| Class A C | Common St | ock | | 05/15 | 5/2023 | | | | М | | 18,74 | 48 | Α | \$0 ⁽¹ | 391 | 1,810 | | D | | |
| Class A Common Stock | | | | 05/15 | 05/15/2023 | | | | F | | 4,566 | (2) | D | \$5.6 | 1 387 | 387,244 | | D | | |
| Class A Common Stock | | | 05/15 | 5/2023 | | | | М | | 9,77 | '2 A | | \$0 ⁽¹ | 397,016 | | | D | | | |
| Class A C | Class A Common Stock 05/15/2 | | | | 5/2023 | 2023 | | F | | 2,380 ⁽³⁾ D | | D | \$5.6 | 61 394,636 | | D | | | | |
| | | Т | able II - | | | | | | uired, D , optior | | | | | | Owned | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | Derivative Conversion Date Security or Exercise (Month | | Transaction ate Execution if any (Month/Day | | | Fransaction Code (Instr. | | n of | | 6. Date Exercisable ar Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4) | i F | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | Code V (A) (D) Exercisable Date Title Shares | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Restricted Stock Units | (4) | 05/15/2023 | | | M | | | 18,748 | (5) | | (5) | Class Comm Stock | on 1 | 8,748 | \$0 | 18,748 | 3 | D | | |
| Restricted Stock Units | (4) | 05/15/2023 | | | M | | | 9,772 | (6) | | (6) | Class Comm Stock | ion 9 | 9,772 | \$0 | 97,719 | , | D | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. One share of Class A Common Stock was issued upon the vesting of each Restricted Stock Unit ("RSU").
- 2. In accordance with the terms of the RSU grant, 4,566 shares of MediaAlpha, Inc. Class A Common Stock were automatically withheld at vesting to cover required tax withholding.
- 3. In accordance with the terms of the RSU grant, 2,380 shares of MediaAlpha, Inc. Class A Common Stock were automatically withheld at vesting to cover required tax withholding.
- 4. Consists of RSUs granted to the Reporting Person on December 6, 2021 pursuant to the Issuer's Omnibus Incentive Plan, each of which represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's Class A Common Stock, or at the option of the Compensation Committee, cash of equivalent value, upon vesting.
- 5. 18.8% of such RSUs vested quarterly on February 15, 2022, May 15, 2022 and August 15, 2022, and the remainder will vest quarterly through August 15, 2023, in each case subject to the Reporting Person's continued employment with the Issuer through the applicable vesting date.
- 6. One quarter of such RSUs vested on November 15, 2022, and the remainder will vest quarterly through November 15, 2025, in each case subject to the Reporting Person's continued employment with the Issuer through the applicable vesting date

Remarks:

Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

/s/ Jeffrey B. Coyne 05/17/2023

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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