

Liberty Tax, Inc.
Form 4
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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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 *
HEWITT JOHN T

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1716 CORPORATE LANDING PARKWAY
(Street)

VIRGINIA BEACH, VA 23454

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Liberty Tax, Inc. [TAX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/09/2016

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)
Chief Executive Officer/Pres.

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 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)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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)

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	<u>1</u>	12/09/2016	A	22,817					<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Class A Common Stock	22,817
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.6	12/09/2016	A	336,914					<u>(3)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Class A Common Stock	336,914

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HEWITT JOHN T 1716 CORPORATE LANDING PARKWAY VIRGINIA BEACH, VA 23454	X	X	Chief Executive Officer/Pres.	

Signatures

John T. Hewitt 12/13/2016

**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) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents the right to receive, at settlement, one share of Class A Common Stock.
- (2) Issuer has awarded the Reporting Person a one-time retention grant of Restricted Stock Units. One-half of the Restricted Stock Units shall vest on December 9, 2018 and the remaining one-half shall vest on December 9, 2020.
- (3) Each year for four years beginning December 9, 2017, one-fourth of the Employee Stock Options shall become vested.
- (4) Once exercisable, Employee Stock Options that become vested anytime from the date of vesting through five years from the date of vesting shall remain exercisable.

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