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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Schmitt Thomas N</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) 800 GESSNER SUITE 600  (Street) HOUSTON TX 77024  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Skyward Specialty Insurance Group, Inc. [ SKWD ]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>CHIEF PEOPLE &amp; ADMIN. OFFICER</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/27/2024	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	

**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.

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	02/29/2024		M		5,333	A	(1)	12,709	D	
Common Stock	02/29/2024		F		1,992	D	\$36.47	10,717	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						Title
2024 LTIP - Common Stock	(2)	02/27/2024		A		1,495		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	1,495	\$0	1,495	D	
2024 LTIP - Performance Share Units	(4)	02/27/2024		A		1,495		(4)	(4)	Common Stock	1,495	\$0	1,495	D	
2021 LTIP - Performance Share Units	(1)	02/29/2024		M			5,333	(1)	(1)	Common Stock	5,333	\$0	0	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- Upon vesting, each Performance Share Unit ("PSU") settles for one share of the Company's common stock.
- Upon vesting, each Restricted Stock Unit ("RSU") settles for one share of the Company's common stock.
- Subject to the reporting person's continuous service through the vesting date, 100% of the RSUs shall vest on January 1, 2027.
- On February 27, 2024, the reporting person was granted 1,495 PSUs. Each PSU is equivalent to one share of the Company's common stock. The number of units subject to vest under this award can range from 0% to 150% of the amount shown based on the satisfaction of performance condition targets during the requisite service period. This award fully vests on January 1, 2027.

/s/ Stacy E. Skelton, Attorney-in-Fact 02/29/2024

\*\* 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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