## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Paglia Lou				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Sterling Check Corp. [ STER ]							(Ched	k all applica	or (give title		on(s) to Issu 10% Ow Other (s	ner		
(Last) (First) (Middle) STERLING CHECK CORP.					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/22/2021						X	below)			below)			
1 STATE STREET PLAZA, 24TH FLOOR				If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable								
(Street) NEW YORK NY 10004				4. II Americinent, Date of Original Fried (Month/Day/Teal)						Line)	2)							
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)											FEISOII				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D				action 2A. Deemed Execution Date if any (Month/Day/Year)		e, Transaction Dispose Code (Instr.		ities Acquii d Of (D) (In	red (A) str. 3, 4	4 and 5) Securities Beneficia Owned Fe		s For ally (D) ollowing (I) (		Direct I Indirect E str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
							Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	or P	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 09/22.				2/2021		A		52,174 <sup>(1)</sup> A			\$ <mark>0</mark>	134,	134,793		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)	ivative Conversion Date Execution Date, Turity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		Co	ansaction Derivative ode (Instr. Securities		re es d (A) sed str.	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)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Co	de V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab		Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of SI			(Instr. 4)	J.11(3)		
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$23	09/22/2021		A		468,938		(2)		09/22/2031	Common Stock	468	3,938	\$0	468,93	88	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Grant of restricted stock.
- 2. Subject to the reporting person's continued employment with the issuer through the applicable vesting date, this option is scheduled to vest with respect to 50% of the underlying shares on September 22, 2023 and 25% of the underlying shares on each of September 22, 2024 and September 22, 2025.

Mr. Paglia is the President and Chief Operating Officer of Sterling Check Corp.

/s/ Steven L. Barnett, Attorney-09/24/2021 in-Fact for Lou Paglia

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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