FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT	OF CHANGES	IN BENEFICIAL	OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SMITH JOHN ALEXANDER					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol MKS INSTRUMENTS INC [MKSI]									ck all appl Direct	etor er (give title		10% Ov	vner	
					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/17/2011								X	below			Other (s below)	specify	
(Street) ANDOVER MA 01810 (City) (State) (Zip)				4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 02/22/2011							Line)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person							
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)				Execution Date,		Code		4. Securities Acq Disposed Of (D) (5) Amount (A)		str. 3, 4		Securities F Beneficially (Form (D) or	: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
		Т	able II - De (e						uired, D s, optior						Owned				
Derivative Conversion Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			ate, Tr	ransaction of ode (Instr. Derivative			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)			
				Co	ode \	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab		kpiration ate	Title	Amou or Numb of Share	er					
Restricted Stock	(2)	02/17/2011		J	(3)			167	(4)		(4)	Common Stock	167	7	(2)	11,174		D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Amendment being filed to report additional shares forfeited, but not reported on original filing.
- 2. Each restricted stock unit represents the contingent right to receive one share of common stock of MKS Instruments, Inc.
- 3. This transaction reflects the forfeiture of RSUs due to performance criteria.
- 4. These RSUs are subject to the achievement of performance criteria determined in the first year of the grant and thereafter vests in equal annual installments over three years.

/s/ Kathleen F. Burke POA 03/01/2012

** 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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