

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Burkhart John A III</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) President, US P&C
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/06/2026	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

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	05/06/2026		M		4,813 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$0	39,630	D	
Common Stock	05/06/2026		F ⁽²⁾		1,894	D	\$43.68	37,736	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
2023 LTIP - PSUs	(3)	05/06/2026		M			3,619	(4)	(4)	Common Stock	3,619	\$0	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Represents the number of shares that were acquired by the Reporting Person in connection with the settlement of the Performance Share Units ("PSUs") listed in Line I of Table II.
- The disposition reported on this Form 4 represents shares withheld to cover tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting and settlement of the PSUs listed in Line I of Table II. The disposition is mandated by the Issuer and does not represent a discretionary transaction by the Reporting Person.
- Each PSU represents the right to receive one share of the Issuer's Common Stock upon settlement.
- On February 27, 2023, the Reporting Person was awarded 3,619 PSUs. The PSUs are subject to obtaining specified performance criteria from January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2025. The number of PSUs subject to vest under this award can range from 0% to 150% of the amount shown. This award fully vested on December 31, 2025 and settled upon certification by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors.

/s/ Stacy E. Skelton, Attorney-in-Fact 05/08/2026

** 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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