

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Check this box to indicate that a transaction was made pursuant to a contract, instruction or written plan for the purchase or sale of equity securities of the issuer that is intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c). See Instruction 10.

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * <u>LITCHFIELD STEVEN G</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O MAXLINEAR, INC.</u> <u>5966 LA PLACE COURT, SUITE 100</u> (Street) <u>CARLSBAD CA 92008</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>MAXLINEAR, INC [MXL]</u> 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>02/18/2026</u> 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>See remarks</u> 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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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 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	02/20/2026		A		25,978 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$0	338,181	D	
Common Stock	02/20/2026		A		19,441 ⁽²⁾	A	\$0	357,622	D	
Common Stock	02/20/2026		M		29,315	A	\$0	430,570	D	
Common Stock	02/20/2026		F		42,532	D	\$18.47	388,038	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	Amount or Number of Shares				
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	02/18/2026		A		58,234		(4)	(4)	Common Stock	58,234	\$0	58,234	D	
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	02/20/2026		M			3,074	(5)	(5)	Common Stock	3,074	\$0	15,348	D	
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	02/20/2026		M			26,241	(6)	(6)	Common Stock	26,241	\$0	65,271	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents shares of Common Stock issued to the Reporting Person for the 2025 performance period under the Company's Executive Incentive Bonus Plan (the "Bonus Plan"). All shares were issued pursuant to the Company's Amended and Restated 2010 Equity Incentive Plan. Grant amounts were determined based on the award amount earned under the Bonus Plan and the closing price of the Company's Common Stock in trading on The Nasdaq Global Select Market on February 20, 2026.
2. Represents shares of Common Stock issued to the Reporting Person in connection with the achievement of financial performance conditions for the 2025 fiscal year that were approved as part of the 2025 performance-based restricted stock award granted on August 4, 2025. All shares were issued pursuant to the Company's Amended and Restated 2010 Equity Incentive Plan.
3. Each restricted stock unit ("RSU") represents a contingent right to receive one share of MaxLinear, Inc. Common Stock.
4. Subject to the Reporting Person continuing to be a Service Provider (as defined in the Company's Amended and Restated 2010 Equity Incentive Plan) through each applicable vesting date, one-third (1/3rd) of the RSUs subject to the award will vest on May 20, 2027, and one-third (1/3rd) of the RSUs subject to the award will vest annually on each May 20 thereafter, such that the award will be fully vested on May 20, 2029.
5. Subject to the Reporting Person's continuous status as a Service Provider (as defined in the 2010 Equity Incentive Plan) on each applicable vesting date, twenty five percent (25%) of the 30,697 RSUs subject to the award vested on February 20, 2025, and twenty five percent (25%) of the RSUs subject to the award vest annually on each February 20 thereafter, such that the award will be fully vested on February 20, 2028.
6. Subject to the Reporting Person continuing to be a Service Provider (as defined in the Company's Amended and Restated 2010 Equity Incentive Plan) through each applicable vesting date, one-third (1/3rd) of the 195,822 RSUs subject to the award vested on February 20, 2025, and one-third (1/3rd) of the RSUs subject to the award will vest annually on each February 20 thereafter, such that the award will be fully vested on February 20, 2027.

Remarks:

Chief Financial Officer and Chief Corporate Strategy Officer

/s/ Connie Kwong, as Attorney-in-
Fact 02/23/2026

** 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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