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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement Premier, Inc. [PINC] Rakowski Kelly (Month/Day/Year) 11/01/2016 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) C/O PREMIER, INC., Â 13034 (Check all applicable) **BALLANTYNE CORPORATE PLACE** 10% Owner Director (Street) _X__ Officer Other 6. Individual or Joint/Group (give title below) (specify below) Filing(Check Applicable Line) Sr. VP Premier Perf. Partners _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person CHARLOTTE, NCÂ 28277 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 3. 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Class A Common Stock 2,907 D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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3. Title and Amount of 6. Nature of Indirect 1. Title of Derivative Security 2. Date Exercisable and 4. 5. Securities Underlying Conversion Ownership Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year) Derivative Security or Exercise Form of (Instr. 5) (Instr. 4) Price of Derivative Derivative Security:

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| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | Security | Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | |
|-----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------------|----------------------------------|----------|--|---|
| Option (right to buy) | (1) | 08/30/2026 | Class A Common | 8,521 | \$ 31.65 | D | Â |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------------|-------|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |
| Rakowski Kelly C/O PREMIER, INC. 13034 BALLANTYNE CORPORATE PLACE CHARLOTTE Â NCÂ 28277 | Â | Â | Sr. VP Premier Perf. Partners | Â | | |

Signatures

/s/ Andrew A. Gerber, Attorney-in-Fact

11/01/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
- (1) The right to exercise one third of the options on each of August 30, 2017, 2018 and 2019.

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