SIGNATURE GROUP HOLDINGS, INC. Reported by MANDERSON WILLIAM CHRISTOPHER

FORM 3

(Initial Statement of Beneficial Ownership)

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Address	15303 VENTURA BLVD.
	SUITE 1600
	SHERMAN OAKS, CA 91403
Telephone	(805) 409-4340
CIK	0000038984
Symbol	SGGH
SIC Code	5063 - Electrical Apparatus and Equipment Wiring Supplies, and Construction Materials
Industry	Electronic Instr. & Controls
Sector	Technology
Fiscal Year	12/31

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Manderson William Christopher	2. Date of Event Requirin Statement (MM/DD/YYYY) 11/5/2012			 g 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SIGNATURE GROUP HOLDINGS, INC. [SGGH] 					
(Last) (First) (Middle)	4. Relations	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)							
15303 VENTURA BLVD., SUITE 1600		icer (give title be VP, Genera	elow)	10% O		ify below)			
(Street) SHERMAN OAKS, CA 91403	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)		_ X _ Form	 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <u>X</u> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person 					
(City) (State) (Zip)									
	Table I - No	on-Derivativ	ve Securities	Benef	ficiall	y Owned	ł		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)		2. Amount of Beneficially ((Instr. 4)				Ow	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership Instr. 5)		
SGGH Common Stock		195000			D				
Table II - Derivative Secu	ritios Ronofia	ially Owned	l (a g) puts	oolle	worr	onts on	tion	s convortib	la saguritias)
1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (MM/DD/YYYY)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		nt of ing	of 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of		5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh	ber	er		e Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Options ⁽²⁾	5/5/2013	11/5/2022	SGGH Common Stock	189	000	\$0.44	L	D	
Options ⁽²⁾	5/5/2014	11/5/2022	SGGH Common Stock	189	000	\$0.44	•	D	
Options ⁽²⁾	5/5/2015	11/5/2022	SGGH Common Stock	189	000	\$0.44	ŀ	D	
			SGGH						

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

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 4)	Expiration Date (MM/DD/YYYY)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		Conversion or Exercise Price of	Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security: Security Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		
Options	7/1/2015 (2)	11/5/2022	Common Stock	189000	\$0.44	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) As part of an employment package that has cash and equity components, Mr. Manderson received restricted shares of common stock valued at \$85,800.00 upon joining the company on November 5, 2012. Unless Mr. Manderson's employment is terminated earlier, or there is a change in control of the company, the shares shall fully vest on December 31, 2013.
- (2) On November 5, 2012, as part of his employment package, Mr. Manderson was awarded 756,000 options pursuant to the Signature Group Holdings, Inc. 2006 Performance Plan. The options vest in 4 equal installments, with the first tranche vesting on May 5, 2013. The second and third tranche vest on the 18th and 30th month anniversery of the award date, respectively. The final 25% of awarded options will vest on July 1, 2015 provided certain conditions regarding the share price of SGGH stock are met as of that date. If Mr. Manderson's employment is not renewed as of January 1, 2014, then the final tranche shall vest on that date provided certain SGGH share price conditions are met. Should Mr. Manderson decline a renewed offer of employment on January 1, 2014, then the final tranche shall be forfeited.

Reporting Owners

Baparting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Manderson William Christopher							
15303 VENTURA BLVD. SUITE 1600 SHERMAN OAKS, CA 91403			Executive VP, General Counsel				

Signatures

William	Christopher Manderson	11/16/2012

** Signature of Reporting Person

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

Date

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