FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

| 10b5-1(c). See Instruction | 10. | | | | | | | |
|---|------------------|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Rep Heyward Andy | oorting Person * | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Kartoon Studios, Inc. [TOON] | Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | | |
| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O KARTOON STUDIOS, INC. | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/03/2025 | X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) CEO and Chairman | | | | | |
| 190 N. CANON DRIVE, 4TH FLOOR | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) | | | | | |
| (Street) BEVERLY HILLS CA | 90210 | | X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| (City) (Sta | te) (Zip) | | | | | | | |

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. Transac Code (Ir 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial Ownership | |
|---|--|---|---------------------------------|---|---|---------------|--|---|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
| | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share | 12/03/2025 | | J (1) | | 41,176 | D | \$ <mark>0</mark> | 1,741,939 | D | |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share | | | | | | | | 124 | I | See Footnote ⁽²⁾ |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share | | | | | | | | 99,073 | I | See Footnote ⁽³⁾ |

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. Transact Code (In 8) | | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | Expiration Date | | 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 | 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 | | Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | | |
| Restricted Stock Units | (4) | | | | | | | (5) | (5) | Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share | 1,031,249 | | 1,031,249 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. On December 3, 2025, the Reporting Person delivered instructions to effect a private, non-market, non-cash transfer of 41,176 shares to a third party. The transfer will be completed upon processing by the transfer agent.
- $2.\ The\ Reporting\ Person\ indirectly\ owns\ 124\ shares\ of\ common\ stock\ held\ by\ Heyward\ Living\ Trust.$
- 3. The Reporting Person indirectly owns 99,073 shares of common stock over which the Reporting Person holds voting and dispositive power.
- 4. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of TOON common stock.
- 5. The reported balance of RSUs includes previously granted and reported RSUs in accordance with their respective terms described in prior Form 4 fillings.

Remarks:

<u>/s/ Andy Heyward</u> 12/03/2025

** 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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