

## FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

|                                                                                  |                                            |                                                                         |                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                  |                                                             |                                                          |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *<br>BARINGS LLC                         |                                            | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br>Barings BDC, Inc. [BBDC] |                                   | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)<br>____ Director _____ 10% Owner<br>____ Officer (give title below) _____ X Other (specify below)<br>Investment Adviser |                                                                                                  |                                                             |                                                          |
| (Last)<br>300 SOUTH TRYON STREET, SUITE 2500                                     | (First)<br>(Middle)<br>CHARLOTTE, NC 28202 | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br>12/27/2018          |                                   | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)<br>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person<br>____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person                                         |                                                                                                  |                                                             |                                                          |
| (Street)                                                                         |                                            | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                   |                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                  |                                                             |                                                          |
| (City)                                                                           |                                            | (State)                                                                 |                                   | (Zip)                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                  |                                                             |                                                          |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned |                                            |                                                                         |                                   |                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                                                  |                                                             |                                                          |
| 1. Title of Security<br>(Instr. 3)                                               | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year)    | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any<br>(Month/Day/Year)                   | 3. Transaction Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)                                                                                                                               | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock ("Shares")                                                          | 12/27/2018                                 |                                                                         | p(1)                              | 78,100 A                                                                                                                                                                                           | \$ 8.9247 (2)                                                                                    | 12,449,127.185                                              | D                                                        |

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

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

|                                               |                                                        |                                         |                                                       |                                   |                                                                                            |                                                             |                                                                  |                                               |                                                                                                       |                                                                                     |                                                           |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. Title of Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|                                               |                                                        |                                         |                                                       | Code V (A) (D)                    |                                                                                            | Date Exercisable Expiration Date                            | Title Amount or Number of Shares                                 |                                               |                                                                                                       |                                                                                     |                                                           |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                             | Relationships |           |         |                    |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|--------------------|
|                                                                            | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other              |
| BARINGS LLC<br>300 SOUTH TRYON STREET<br>SUITE 2500<br>CHARLOTTE, NC 28202 |               | X         |         | Investment Adviser |

## Signatures

|                                |            |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| Ann Malloy as Attorney-in-fact | 12/27/2018 |
| Signature of Reporting Person  | Date       |

## Explanation of Responses:

\* 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).

(1) The transactions reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Trading Plan adopted by the Reporting Person in accordance with Rule 10b5-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

The price reported represents the average purchase price on the Transaction Date. Actual purchase prices ranged from \$8.85 to \$8.99. The Reporting Person hereby

(2) undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure.

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