## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  BROWN JEFFREY J                                                                                    |                                                                       |                                            |                                                    |        | <u>U</u>                                                    | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  UPBOUND GROUP, INC. [ UPBD ] |                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                   |               |                                                                |            |                                                      |                                                                                               |               |                                                        | eck all applic                                              | able)<br>r                                                                                                                | g Pers                            | on(s) to Issu                                                            | vner                                  |  |
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| (Last)                                                                                                                                       | (First) (Middle)                                                      |                                            |                                                    |        | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/02/2024 |                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                   |               |                                                                |            |                                                      |                                                                                               |               | below)                                                 | (give title                                                 |                                                                                                                           | Other (s<br>below)                | specify                                                                  |                                       |  |
| 5501 HEADQUARTERS DRIVE                                                                                                                      |                                                                       |                                            |                                                    |        | 4. 1                                                        | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                   |               |                                                                |            |                                                      |                                                                                               |               |                                                        | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) |                                                                                                                           |                                   |                                                                          |                                       |  |
| (Street)                                                                                                                                     |                                                                       |                                            |                                                    |        |                                                             |                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                   |               |                                                                |            |                                                      |                                                                                               |               |                                                        |                                                             | •                                                                                                                         |                                   | orting Person                                                            |                                       |  |
| PLANO                                                                                                                                        | T                                                                     | X                                          | 75024                                              |        |                                                             |                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                   |               |                                                                |            |                                                      | Form filed by More than One Reporting<br>Person                                               |               |                                                        |                                                             |                                                                                                                           |                                   |                                                                          |                                       |  |
| (City)                                                                                                                                       | ty) (State) (Zip)                                                     |                                            |                                                    |        | R                                                           | Rule 10b5-1(c) Transaction Indication                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                   |               |                                                                |            |                                                      |                                                                                               |               |                                                        |                                                             |                                                                                                                           |                                   |                                                                          |                                       |  |
|                                                                                                                                              |                                                                       |                                            |                                                    |        |                                                             |                                                                           | Check this box to indicate that a transaction was made pursuant to a contract, instruction or written plan that is intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c). See Instruction 10. |                                   |               |                                                                |            |                                                      |                                                                                               |               |                                                        |                                                             |                                                                                                                           |                                   |                                                                          |                                       |  |
|                                                                                                                                              |                                                                       | Tab                                        | ole I - Non                                        | -Deriv | vativ                                                       | e Se                                                                      | curitie                                                                                                                                                                                                          | s A                               | cqui          | ired, [                                                        | Disp       | osed                                                 | of, o                                                                                         | r Ben         | eficiall                                               | y Owned                                                     |                                                                                                                           |                                   |                                                                          |                                       |  |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D                                                                                     |                                                                       |                                            |                                                    |        |                                                             | Execution                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                   | te, 1         |                                                                |            | rities Acquired (A) or<br>ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and |                                                                                               |               | 5. Amou<br>Securitie<br>Benefici<br>Owned F<br>Reporte | s Form                                                      |                                                                                                                           | : Direct<br>r Indirect<br>str. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)                    |                                       |  |
|                                                                                                                                              |                                                                       |                                            |                                                    |        |                                                             |                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                   | (             | Code                                                           | v          | Amount                                               |                                                                                               | (A) or<br>(D) | Price                                                  | Transact                                                    | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4)                                                                                        |                                   |                                                                          | ilisu. 4)                             |  |
| Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |                                                                       |                                            |                                                    |        |                                                             |                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                   |               |                                                                |            |                                                      |                                                                                               |               |                                                        |                                                             |                                                                                                                           |                                   |                                                                          |                                       |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)                                                                                          | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution D<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/ | ate,   | Code (Instr                                                 |                                                                           | 5. Num<br>of<br>Deriva<br>Securi<br>Acquir<br>(A) or<br>Dispos<br>of (D)<br>(Instr.<br>and 5)                                                                                                                    | tive<br>ties<br>ed<br>sed<br>3, 4 | Expir         | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |            |                                                      | 7. Title and Amount<br>of Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |               |                                                        | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5)         | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s<br>(Instr. 4) |                                   | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
|                                                                                                                                              |                                                                       |                                            |                                                    |        | Code                                                        | v                                                                         | (A)                                                                                                                                                                                                              | (D)                               | Date<br>Exerc | cisable                                                        | Exp<br>Dat | piration<br>te                                       | Title                                                                                         |               | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares                 |                                                             |                                                                                                                           |                                   |                                                                          |                                       |  |
| Director<br>Deferred<br>Stock Unit                                                                                                           | (1)                                                                   | 01/02/2024                                 |                                                    |        | A                                                           |                                                                           | 6,844                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                   |               | (1)                                                            |            | (1)                                                  |                                                                                               | IMON<br>OCK   | 6,844                                                  | \$33.97 <sup>(1)</sup>                                      | 103,47                                                                                                                    | 70                                | D                                                                        |                                       |  |

## Explanation of Responses:

1. Each Director Deferred Stock Unit represents the right to receive one share of the common stock, \$.01 par value per share, of the issuer ("Common Stock"). The Director Deferred Stock Units are fully vested and non-forfeitable. The Common Stock will be issued to the reporting person upon the termination of their service as a member of the issuer's board of directors.

## Remarks:

/s/ Bryan Pechersky, attorneyin-fact

01/04/2024

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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