FORM 3

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## **INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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

Name and Address of Reporting Person*  LERDAL MARK D			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 11/30/2021	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PROOF Acquisition Corp I [ PACI ]				
(Last)	(First) (Middle)		11/30/2021	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	
C/O PROOF ACQUISITION CORP I 11911 FREEDOM DRIVE, STE 1080			X	Director Officer (give title below)	10% Owner Other (specify below)	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting		
(Street) RESTON	VA	20190					Person	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						

## Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	Form: Direct (D) or	l '
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## Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		Conversion Form: D or Exercise (D) or	Form: Direct (D) or	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Indirect (I) Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	

**Explanation of Responses:** 

No securities are beneficially owned.

/s/ Mark D Lerdal

11/30/2021

\*\* 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 5 (b)(v).
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