

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>THIGPEN JEREMY D</u> <hr/> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>10370 RICHMOND AVENUE, SUITE 1000</u> <hr/> (Street) <u>HOUSTON TX 77042</u> <hr/> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>04/28/2026</u>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Drilling Tools International Corp [ DTI ]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) <hr/> 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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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 Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date				

Explanation of Responses:

**Remarks:**

Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

No securities are beneficially owned.

/s/ John Niedzwiecki, as Attorney-in-fact 04/30/2026

\*\* 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 5 (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).

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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## POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints David Johnson, Christian Middleton, Michael Blankenship, John Niedzwiecki, Riley Doggett and Kate Kaufman as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for the undersigned and in the undersigned's name, place and stead to:

1. take such actions as may be necessary or appropriate to enable the undersigned to submit and file forms, schedules and other documents with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") utilizing the SEC's Electronic Data Gathering and Retrieval ("EDGAR") system, which actions may include preparing, executing and submitting to the SEC a Form ID, amendments thereto, and such other documents and information as may be necessary or appropriate to obtain codes and passwords enabling the undersigned to make filings and submissions utilizing the EDGAR system;
2. prepare and execute any and all forms, schedules and other documents (including any amendments thereto) the undersigned is required to file with the SEC, or which the attorney-in-fact considers it advisable for the undersigned to file with the SEC, under Section 13 or Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or any rule or regulation thereunder, or under Rule 144 under the Securities Act of 1933, including Forms 3, 4 and 5, Schedules 13D and 13G, and Forms 144;
3. act for and on behalf of the undersigned as the EDGAR Account Administrator in accordance with the rules and regulations of the SEC; and
4. take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact may be of benefit to, in the best interest of or legally required of the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to said attorney-in-fact and agent full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite necessary or proper to be done under the rules and regulations of the SEC in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers herein granted.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorney-in-fact and agent.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of April 28, 2026.

/s/ Jeremy Thigpen  
Jeremy Thigpen

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