

HAYWOOD GEORGE WEAVER  
 Form 4  
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**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 \*  
**HAYWOOD GEORGE WEAVER**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**AVI BIOPHARMA INC [AVII]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O MOOMJIAN, WAITE,  
 WACTLAR & COLEMAN, 100  
 JERICHO QUADRANGLE, SUITE  
 225**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
**03/24/2008**

\_\_\_\_ Director  10% Owner  
 \_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 \_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**JERICHO, NY 11753**

(City) (State) (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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	03/24/2008		P		100,000	A	\$ 1.49	7,305,875	D	
Common Stock	03/24/2008		P		400	A	\$ 1.51	1,070,530	I	By Spouse
Common Stock	03/25/2008		P		100,000	A	\$ 1.72	1,170,530	I	By Spouse
Common Stock	03/26/2008		P		100,000	A	\$ 1.74	1,270,530	I	By Spouse

