Klassen Preston Form 4 January 22, 2018

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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See Instruction 1(b).

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Klassen Preston

C/O ARENA

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

ARENA PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ARNA]

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

> (Month/Day/Year) 01/19/2018

PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 6154 NANCY RIDGE DRIVE

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) EVP and CMO

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Expiration I (Month/Day or			7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (I	D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 35.6	01/19/2018		A	130,000	<u>(1)</u>	01/19/2025	Common Stock	130,00	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Klassen Preston C/O ARENA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 6154 NANCY RIDGE DRIVE SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

EVP and CMO

Signatures

Steven W. Spector, as Attorney-in-Fact 01/22/2018

**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).

The options vest over four years, with 25% of the shares subject to the option vesting on January 19, 2019, and the remainder of the (1) shares vesting monthly over the following three years in equal installments (except as otherwise necessary to avoid vesting of a fractional share), and are exercisable once vested.

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