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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * FERRARA FRED

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(First) (Middle) (Last)

VERMILLION, INC. [VRML]

(Check all applicable)

C/O VERMILLION, INC., 12117

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

X_ Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify below)

BEE CAVES RD, BLDG 3-100

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Chief Operating Officer 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

04/13/2018

Applicable Line)

Director

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

AUSTIN, TX 78738

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

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

1. Title of Derivative Security

Conversion or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration Title Amount Exercisable Date or Number of Shares **Employee** Stock Common (1) 11/08/2026 \$ 0.89 04/13/2018 15,000 15,000 Option A Stock (Right to Buy)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FERRARA FRED C/O VERMILLION, INC. 12117 BEE CAVES RD, BLDG 3-100 AUSTIN, TX 78738

Chief Operating Officer

Signatures

/s/ Fred Ferrara 04/17/2018

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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).

An option to purchase 60,000 shares of common stock was granted to the reporting person on 11/8/16, subject to the satisfaction of certain performance conditions. On 4/13/18, a portion of the performance conditions were deemed to have been met, resulting in 15,000 shares earned. The remaining option to purchase 45,000 shares was canceled. Half of the achieved portion of the option grant is immediately exercisable and the remaining 50% will vest on 12/31/18.

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