Kopczynski Casey C. Form 4 October 01, 2018

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 ** Kopczynski Casey C.			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AERIE PHARMACEUTICALS INC [AERI]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
	, ,		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/01/2018						Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Scientific Officer			
	(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Filed(Month/Day/Year)					Č	al	1	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
DURHAM, NC 27703				P					Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - No	on-I	Derivativo	e Secu	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Dat (Month/Day/Year)		n Date, if	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A Transactiomr Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. 7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Form: Beneficial Direct (D) Ownership or Indirect (Instr. 4) (I) (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	10/01/2018			S		9,330	D	\$ 60.4254 (1) (2)	138,187	D		
Common Stock	10/01/2018			S		1,670	D	\$ 61.3383 (1) (3)	136,517	D		

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 (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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)	Expiration D (Month/Day/ e	. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Month/Day/Year)		le and unt of rlying ities . 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> 10% Owner Officer Other Director

Kopczynski Casey C. C/O AERIE PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 4301 EMPEROR BLVD., SUITE 400 DURHAM, NC 27703

Chief Scientific Officer

Signatures

/s/ Richard J. Rubino, Attorney-in-Fact for Casey C. Kopczynski

10/01/2018

**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 reporting person undertakes to provide the issuer, any security holder of the issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange
- (1) Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnotes 2 and 3 to this Form 4.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions pursuant to the reporting **(2)** person's Rule 10b5-1 plan at prices ranging from \$60.09 to \$61.07, inclusive.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions pursuant to the reporting person's Rule 10b5-1 plan at prices ranging from \$61.10 to \$61.48, inclusive.

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