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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MAIER PAUL V

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

RITTER PHARMACEUTICALS

(Check all applicable)

INC [RTTR]

01/23/2018

(Middle)

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

X_ Director below)

10% Owner Other (specify

RITTER PHARMACEUTICALS. INC., 1880 CENTURY PARK

(First)

EAST, SUITE 1000

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Officer (give title

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

LOS ANGELES,, CA 90067

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

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. 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)

(A)

Reported 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. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of iorDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exer Expiration I (Month/Day	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securiti
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Non-qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 0.34	01/23/2018		A	30,000	<u>(1)</u>	01/23/2018	Common Stock	30,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MAIER PAUL V RITTER PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 1880 CENTURY PARK EAST, SUITE 1000 LOS ANGELES,, CA 90067

X

Signatures

/s/Andrew J. Ritter, attorney-in-fact

01/25/2018 Date

**Signature of 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).
- (1) The option vests in twelve (12) equal monthly installments begining on February 23, 2018 with the balance vesting on the 23rd day of each calendar month thereafter until vested in full.

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