#### APPLIED OPTOELECTRONICS, INC.

Form 4

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may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Murry Stefan J.		ting Person *	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol APPLIED OPTOELECTRONICS, INC. [AAOI]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last)  C/O APPLIED  OPTOELECT  JESS PIRTLE	RONICS, I	(Middle) NC., 13139	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/13/2017	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Financial Officer			

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

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Person

SUGAR LAND, TX 77478

(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. Securi on(A) or Do (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	ed of (D)	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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock, \$.001 par value	03/13/2017		M	334	A	\$ 9.96	62,028	D		
Common Stock, \$.001 par value	03/13/2017		M	666	A	\$ 9.96	62,694	D		
Common Stock,	03/13/2017		S	1,000	D	\$ 50.954	61,694	D		

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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)	e 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Deriva	vative rities aired or cosed of cosed o	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Incentive Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.96	03/13/2017		M		334	(2)	09/26/2023	Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	334
Non-Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.96	03/13/2017		M		666	(2)	09/26/2023	Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	666

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Murry Stefan J.

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m C/O}$  APPLIED OPTOELECTRONICS, INC.

13139 JESS PIRTLE BLVD. SUGAR LAND, TX 77478 Chief Financial Officer

## **Signatures**

/s/ David C. Kuo, attorney in fact for Stefan J.
Murry 03/15/2017

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

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## **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 shares were sold in multiple transactions on March 13, 2017 at an actual sale price \$50.954 per share. The price reported reflects the weighted average sale price for the transactions. The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (2) The stock option award (combined incentive stock option and non-qualified stock option) vested as to 1/4th of the total number of shares on September 26, 2014 and 1/6th of the shares vest every six months thereafter.

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