FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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| ship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | | | | | | | | | | |

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

| 1. Name and Addre | 1 0 | erson [*] | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Pacira Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [PCRX] | | ationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer < all applicable) Director 10% Owner | | | |
|---|---------|----------------------|--|---|---|-----------------------|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O PACIRA PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/03/2015 | x | Officer (give title below) CAO and Genera | Other (specify below) | | |
| 5 SYLVAN WAY, SUITE 300 | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) | | | | |
| (Street) | | | | X | Form filed by One Re | porting Person | | |
| PARSIPPANY | NJ | 07054 | | | Form filed by More th Person | an One Reporting | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | | | | | | |
| | - | Table I - Non-Deriva | ative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Benefi | cially | Owned | | | |

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | ution Date, Transaction Code (Instr. | | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) | of Indirect Beneficial Ownership |
|---------------------------------|--|---|---|----------|---|-------------------|---|--|--|
| | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | (Instr. 4) | (Instr. 4) |
| Common Stock | 06/03/2015 | Α | | 7,500(1) | A | \$ <mark>0</mark> | 7,500 | D | |

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. Transact Code (In 8) | | n of I | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial Ownership |
|---|---|--|---|----------------------------------|---|--------|-----|--|--------------------|---|--|--|--|---|-------------------------|
| | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$79.43 | 06/03/2015 | | А | | 15,000 | | (2) | 06/03/2025 | Common Stock | 15,000 | \$0 | 15,000 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Represents restricted stock units that vest in four equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date, provided that the reporting person remains in continuous service with the issuer as of each vesting date. Each restricted stock unit represents the contingent right to receive one share of the issuer's common stock.

2. The stock option vests and becomes exercisable as to 25% of the option shares on the first anniversary of the grant date, and vests as to the remaining shares in successive equal quarterly installments over the subsequent three years, provided that the reporting person remains in continuous service with the issuer as of each vesting date.

<u>/s/ Kristen Williams</u> <u>06/05/2015</u> ** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* 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).

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