

VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 LEIDEN JEFFREY M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INC / MA [VRTX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)
 Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 CEO & President

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED, 50 NORTHERN AVENUE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/03/2017

(Street)
 BOSTON, MA 02210

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(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. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price (A) or (D)		
Common Stock	02/03/2017		A		17,895 (1) \$ 0.01	D	
Common Stock	02/03/2017		A		50,567 (2) \$ 0	D	
Common Stock					440	I	401(k)

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and 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
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 86.52	02/03/2017		A	103,550	(3) 02/02/2027	Common Stock 103,550

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LEIDEN JEFFREY M
C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED
50 NORTHERN AVENUE
BOSTON, MA 02210

X CEO & President

Signatures

Omar White,
Attorney-In-Fact 02/07/2017

**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).

- (1) Represents earned performance shares with respect to a performance stock unit award granted on 2/02/2016 that contained both performance-vesting and service-vesting requirements. The issuer's management development and compensation committee certified as to the level of performance-goal attainment on 02/03/2017. The earned performance shares remain subject to the service-vesting requirements and will vest in three equal installments on 2/10/2017, 2/10/2018 and 2/10/2019.
- (2) Restricted stock unit award that vests in three equal installments on 2/10/2018, 2/10/2019 and 2/10/2020.
- (3) The option vests in 16 quarterly installments from 02/03/2017.

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