FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT	OF CHANGES I	N BENEFICIAL	OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Rosen Howard B					<u>A</u>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ACELRX PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ ACRX ]									able)	y Perso	on(s) to Issu 10% Ow Other (s	ner	
	ELRX PHA	irst) RMACEUTICA L BLVD., SUIT			07	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/15/2022								below)			below)	, ,	
(Street) HAYWA	RD C.	A	94545		-   4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						6. Inc Line)	Form fil	al or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable orm filed by One Reporting Person orm filed by More than One Reporting erson					
(City)	(S	·	(Zip)	n-Dariy	vativ	vo Sc	curitio	- Λ c c	nuired	Die	nosad o	f or B	one:	ficially	Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Trans Date			saction			Code (Instr.			A) or	) or 4 and 5) 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Follo		Form y (D) or		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership					
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)		Price	Reported Transacti (Instr. 3 a	action(s)			(Instr. 4)
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup> 07/1				5/202	/2022			A		15,500 <sup>(2)</sup> A		\$0.00	94,250			D			
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
Derivative Conversion Da		3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	if any	ecution Date, Tr		ection Instr.	of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou of Securities Underlying Derivative Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)		curity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	is Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisab		Expiration Date	Title	OI N	umber					
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$0.2309	07/15/2022			Α		31,000	(	07/15/2022	2 <sup>(3)</sup>	07/14/2032	Commo Stock	n 3	1,000	\$0.00	31,000	0	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of the Issuer's common stock.
- 2. 100% of the restricted stock units shall vest on the first anniversary of the grant date, subject to Reporting Person's continuous service to the Company.
- 3. 100% of the option shares subject to the option shall vest on the first anniversary of the grant date, subject to Reporting Person's continuous service to the Company.

## Remarks:

/s/ Martha Adler, Attorney-In-

Fact

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

07/15/2022

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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