FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| ) | obligations may continue. See          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|   | Instruction 1(b)                       |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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 Address of Reporting Person* O DONNELL MICHAEL J |  |  |   |                                  | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol PAIN THERAPEUTICS INC [ PTIE ] |          |                     |  |               |   |  |  | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)   |  |  |   |                                       |  |
|--|--|--|---|----------------------------------|---|----------|---------------------|--|---------------|---|--|--|---|--|--|---|---------------------------------------|--|
| (Last)   | (Fi  |  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/12/2016 |                                  |   |          |                     |  |               |   | X Director Officer (give title below)  |  |   | 10% Owner<br>Other (specify<br>below)  |  |   |                                       |  |
| (Street) (City) (State) (Zip)                                |  |  |   |                                  | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                          |          |                     |  |               |   |  |  | ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable e)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |  |  |   |                                       |  |
|  |  | Tab  | le I - Non-De   | erivativ                         | e Se  | curities | s Ac                | quired, I  | Disp          | osed o  | f, or Be   | neficia  | lly Owned   | l  |  |   |                                       |  |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D     |  |  |   |                                  | Execution Date,   |          | , Transaction Dispo |  | Disposed      | urities Acquired (A)<br>led Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 |  | Beneficia<br>Owned F                           | es<br>ally<br>Following   | 6. Owne<br>Form: D<br>(D) or In<br>(I) (Instr  | Direct C<br>ndirect E<br>r. 4) C                                 | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership |                                       |  |
|  |  |  |   |                                  |   | Code     | v                   | Amount   | (A) or<br>(D) | Price   | Transact   | Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |   | (  | (Instr. 4)   |   |                                       |  |
|  | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |  |   |                                  |   |          |                     |  |               |   |  |  |   |  |  |   |                                       |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)          | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security  | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Yea    | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr |   |          |                     | 6. Date Exercisable<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |               |   | nd 7. Title and Am<br>of Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative Secu<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |  | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5)   | 9. Number<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficiall<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transactio<br>(Instr. 4) | Ownershi<br>Form:<br>y Direct (D)<br>or Indirec<br>(I) (Instr. 4 | wnership<br>orm:<br>irect (D)<br>r Indirect         | Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
|  |  |  |   | Code                             | v   | (A)      | (D)                 | Date<br>Exercisabl   |               | expiration<br>Date                              | Title  | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares         |   |  |  |   |                                       |  |
| Non-<br>Qualifying<br>Stock<br>Options<br>(1)                | \$2.38   | 05/12/2016                                 | 05/12/2016  | A                                |   | 50,000   |                     | 05/12/2017   | 7 0           | 5/12/2026                                       | Common<br>Stock  | 50,000   | \$2.38  | 529,853  | 3  | D   |                                       |  |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

## Remarks:

(1)Non-Qualifying Stock Options issued pursuant to the Company's 2008 Equity Incentive Plan vest over 4 years at a rate of 25% of the shares granted, starting May 12, 2017.

/s/ Peter S. Roddy by Power of <u>Attorney</u>

05/18/2016

\*\* 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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