FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Machiels Alec						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Apellis Pharmaceuticals, Inc. [ APLS ]								5. Relationship of Repor (Check all applicable) X Director		ting Person(s) to Issuer  10% Owner			
	ELLIS PHA	RMACEUTICA	-	Ξ.		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/14/2021								Office below	r (give title )	Other below	(specify )		
100 FIFTH AVENUE, 3RD FLOOR  (Street)  WALTHAM MA 02451						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting					
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					Execution		n Date,	Transaction Disposed O Code (Instr. 5)		es Acquired (A) or Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		Securitie Beneficia	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		Direct Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transacti	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 05/14					2021	021		M <sup>(1)</sup>		2,500	A	\$2.67	672	572,044		D			
Common Stock 05/14/					2021	021			S <sup>(1)</sup>		2,500	D	\$45.3	9 669	669,544		D		
Common Stock												1,9	1,950		1 1	See Footnote <sup>(2)</sup>			
	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. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da	n Date,		ransaction ode (Instr.		n of		6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea		7. Title an Amount o Securities Underlyin Derivative (Instr. 3 ar	f g Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numb derivativ Securiti Benefici Owned Followir Reporte Transac (Instr. 4)	ve es ially ng d tion(s)	10. Ownersh Form: Direct (D or Indirec (I) (Instr.	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	1					
Stock Option (Right to	\$2.67	05/14/2021			M <sup>(1)</sup>			2,500	(3)		12/04/2023	Common Stock	2,500	\$0	145,0	029	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. This is a scheduled exercise from 10B5-1 trading plan.
- 2. Owned by spouse.
- 3. This option was granted on December 5, 2013 and fully vested.

/s/ David Watson, attorney-infact for Alec Machiels

05/16/2021

\*\* 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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