FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT	OF	CHANGES	IN	BENEFICIAL	OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Clifton R. LaDuane</u>					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol KEMPHARM, INC [KMPH]					(Chec	lationship of ck all applica Director	able)	Person	n(s) to Issue 10% Ow Other (s)	ner			
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O KEMPHARM, INC.					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/09/2023					X	below)), Secretary &		below)				
1180 CELEBRATION BOULEVARD, SUITE 103					If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable							
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(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)															
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
Date			Transaction ate Month/Day/	Execution Date,		Code (Instr.						s For ally (D) ollowing (I) (Direct Indirect Etr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
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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/Yea	Code (Instr				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou of Securities Underlying Derivative Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction	ly	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisable		cpiration ate	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha	oer		(Instr. 4)	(3)		
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$4.54	01/09/2023		A		459,726		(1)	01	/08/2033	Common Stock	459,	726	\$0	459,726	6	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Grant to the Reporting Person of a stock option under the Issuer's Amended and Restated 2014 Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). 25% of the shares will vest on January 6, 2024 and the remaining 75% of the shares will vest in equal annual installments thereafter, provided that at the relevant vesting dates such optionee's employment relationship has not been terminated as defined in the Plan. All shares underlying the option will vest in full and become immediately exercisable upon a change of control of the Issuer or if the Reporting Person is terminated without cause or resigns for good reason. The option expires ten years after the date of grant.

/s/ R. LaDuane Clifton

01/11/2023

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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