

Squicciarino Joseph
Form 4
March 22, 2006

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Squicciarino Joseph

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

KING PHARMACEUTICALS INC
[KG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

501 FIFTH STREET

(Street)

BRISTOL, TN 37620

(City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/20/2006

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

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)

Chief Financial Officer

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

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	03/20/2006		A	11,790	A \$ 0 111,790	D	

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)

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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)	8. D S (I
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 19.68	03/20/2006		A		23,190	(2) 03/20/2016	Common Stock 23,190

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Squicciarino Joseph 501 FIFTH STREET BRISTOL, TN 37620	Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ Joseph
Squicciarino 03/22/2006

__Signature of Date
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Represents restricted stock that was issued on March 20, 2006. One hundred percent of such stock vests on March 20, 2009.

(2) 33% of the option vests on March 20, 2007; 33% of the option vests on March 20, 2008; and 34% of the option vests on March 20, 2009.

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