

EQUELS THOMAS K.  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
EQUELS THOMAS K.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
HEMISPHERX BIOPHARMA INC  
[HEB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
2117 SW HIGHWAY 484  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
02/27/2019

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Exec. Vice Chairman/CEO/Pres.

OCALA, FL 34473  
  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |   |
|-----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
|                                                     |                                      |                                                    | Code                           | V                                                                 | Amount                                                                                        | (A) or (D)                                               | Price                             |   |
| Series B Convertible Preferred Stock <sup>(1)</sup> | 02/27/2019                           |                                                    | X                              |                                                                   | 65 <sup>(1)</sup>                                                                             | A <sup>(3)</sup>                                         | 65                                | D |
| Warrants <sup>(2)</sup>                             | 02/27/2019                           |                                                    | X                              |                                                                   | 325,000 <sup>(2)</sup>                                                                        | A <sup>(3)</sup>                                         | 325,000                           | 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)

| 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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Subr Rights(to buy)                        | \$ 1,000                                               | 02/27/2019                           |                                                    | X                              | 65                                                                                      | 02/14/2019 03/05/2019                                    | Pref Stk/Warrants<br>(1) (2)                                  | (3)                        |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                             | Relationships |           |                               |       |
|------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
|                                                            | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                       | Other |
| EQUELS THOMAS K.<br>2117 SW HIGHWAY 484<br>OCALA, FL 34473 | X             |           | Exec. Vice Chairman/CEO/Pres. |       |

## Signatures

Thomas K. Equels  
03/12/2019  
 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person                      Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* 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).
- (1) Each share has a stated value of \$1,000 and is convertible into 5,000 shares of common stock and was issued as part of a subscription right issued in a rights offering.
- (2) Each warrant is exercisable for one share of common stock at an exercise price of \$0.20 per share and was issued as part of a subscription right issued in a rights offering.
- (3) Represents \$1,000 per unit purchased in the rights offering, each unit consisting of 1 share of Series B Preferred Stock and 5,000 warrants.

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