

Arbuckle Stuart A  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
Arbuckle Stuart A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS  
INC / MA [VRTX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)  
  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
EVP/Chief Commercial Officer

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
C/O VERTEX  
PHARMACEUTICALS  
INCORPORATED, 50 NORTHERN  
AVENUE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
10/27/2017

(Street)  
BOSTON, MA 02210

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

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

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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			
Common Stock	10/27/2017		S <sup>(1)</sup>	4,165 D \$ 141.41	116,952	D	
Common Stock	10/27/2017		M	2,125 A \$ 96.87	119,077	D	
Common Stock	10/27/2017		S <sup>(1)</sup>	2,125 D \$ 149	116,952	D	
Common Stock	10/31/2017		S <sup>(1)</sup>	11,617 D \$ 142.18	105,335	D	

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					(2)	(3)		
Common Stock	10/31/2017	S <sup>(1)</sup>	5,600	D	\$ 143.54	99,735	D	
					(3) (4)			
Common Stock	10/31/2017	S <sup>(1)</sup>	25,999	D	\$ 144.54	73,736	D	
					(3) (5)			
Common Stock	10/31/2017	S <sup>(1)</sup>	17,501	D	\$ 145.34	56,235	D	
					(3) (6)			
Common Stock	10/31/2017	S <sup>(1)</sup>	7,783	D	\$ 146.61	48,452	D	
					(3) (7)			
Common Stock	10/31/2017	S <sup>(1)</sup>	5,000	D	\$ 147.87	43,452	D	
					(3) (8)			
Common Stock	10/31/2017	S <sup>(1)</sup>	1,000	D	\$ 148.54	42,452	D	
					(3) (9)			
Common Stock	10/31/2017	S <sup>(1)</sup>	500	D	\$ 149.34	41,952	D	
Common Stock						140	I	401(k)

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)	8. Title and Amount of Derivative Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
	\$ 96.87	10/27/2017		M	2,125	(10) 07/14/2024	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
								2,125

Stock  
Option  
(Right to  
Buy)

Common  
Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Arbuckle Stuart A C/O VERTEX PHARMACEUTICALS INCORPORATED 50 NORTHERN AVENUE BOSTON, MA 02210			EVP\Chief Commercial Officer	

## Signatures

/s/ Omar White, 10/31/2017  
Attorney-in-Fact

\_\_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) Transaction made pursuant to Mr. Arbuckle's company-approved trading plan under Rule 10b5-1.
- (2) Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$142.18 (range \$141.83 to \$142.74).
- (3) Mr. Arbuckle undertakes to provide (upon request by the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer) full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.
- (4) Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$143.54 (range \$143.03 to \$144.02).
- (5) Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$144.54 (range \$144.04 to \$145.01).
- (6) Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$145.34 (range \$145.05 to \$145.87).
- (7) Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$146.61 (range \$146.20 to \$147.18).
- (8) Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$147.87 (range \$147.22 to \$148.20).
- (9) Open market sales reported on this line occurred at a weighted average price of \$148.54 (range \$148.25 to \$149.18).
- (10) The option vests in 16 quarterly installments from 7/15/2014.

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