Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* FREEMAN KEVIN D					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GALECTIN THERAPEUTICS INC [GALT								Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner						
(Last) (First) (Middle)				L										r (give title		Other (s	·		
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O GALECTIN THERAPEUTICS, INC. 4960 PEACHTREE INDUSTRIAL BLVD., STE 240					12/	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/14/2017													
(Street) NORCROSS GA 30071			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Lin	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person								
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)											reiso					
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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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				c	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		xpiration vate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Stock option (right to buy)	\$2.39	12/14/2017			A		46,875		(1)	1	2/14/2027	Common stock	46,875	\$0	46,87	5	D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. The options vest 100% on December 14, 2018.

Remarks:

<u>Jack W. Callicutt, by power of attorney</u>

12/18/2017

** 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).
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