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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Ad	dress of Reportin	F	2. Date of Event Requiring Stater Month/Day/Yea	ment	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GALECTIN THERAPEUTICS INC [GALT]						
(Last) (First) (Middle)			12/14/2017		Relationship of Reporting Pers (Check all applicable)		,		5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		
C/O GALECTIN THERAPEUTICS, INC. 4960 PEACHTREE INDUSTRIAL BLVD., STE 240					X	Director Officer (give title below)	10% Own Other (spe below)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One		
(Street) NORCROSS	GA	30071								Reporting P	erson
(City)	(State)	(Zip)									
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned											
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)					Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
Common Stock						27,867	D				
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)											
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)			2. Date Exercisable an Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Secu Underlying Derivative Secu 4)			4. Convei		5. Ownership Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	n Title		Amount or Number of Shares	Exerci Price o Deriva Securi	of tive	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Jack W. Callicutt, by power of attorney 12/18/2017

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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