

Gesten Samuel J
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FORM 4

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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 *
Gesten Samuel J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
STAAR SURGICAL CO [STAA]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
1911 WALKER AVENUE

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/04/2013

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
VP, General Counsel

MONROVIA, CA 91016

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | 03/04/2013 | | A | 7,500 A \$ 0 | 35,000 ⁽²⁾ | 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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|---|---|---|---|---|--|--|---|-------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code V (A) (D) | | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title | |
| Common Stock Options | \$ 5.34 | 03/04/2013 | | A | 20,000 | (3) 03/04/2023 | Common Stock | 20,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Gesten Samuel J 1911 WALKER AVENUE MONROVIA, CA 91016 | | | VP, General Counsel | |

Signatures

Samuel J.
Gesten

03/06/2013

**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).

- Consists of 7,500 Performance Accelerated Restricted Shares of Common Stock (PARS), subject to forfeiture rights, which lapse as to all
- (1) the PARS on 3/4/16, but subject to accelerated lapse of the forfeiture rights as to 1/3 of the shares each year pursuant to achievement of certain performance criteria.
 - (2) Consists of 20,000 restricted shares of common stock vesting 1/3 on each anniversary of 4/2/2 and 15,000 PARS.
 - (3) The options first become exercisable as follows: 6,667 shares on 3/4/14, 6,666 shares on 3/4/15 and 6,666 shares on 3/4/16.

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