ARATANA THERAPEUTICS, INC.

Form 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading STEPHANUS JULIA A Issuer Symbol ARATANA THERAPEUTICS, INC. (Check all applicable) [PETX] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) C/O ARATANA THERAPEUTICS. 03/26/2014 CHIEF COMMERCIAL OFFICER INC., 1901 OLATHE **BOULEVARD** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting KANSAS CITY, KS 66103 Person

| (City) | (State) (Zi | p) Table 1 | I - Non-De | rivative S | ecurit | ies Acqui | red, Disposed of, | or Beneficiall | y 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. Securi or(A) or Di (Instr. 3, | ispose | d of (D) | 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| COMMON STOCK | 03/26/2014 | | F | 3,433 (1) | D | \$ 18.76 (2) | 131,119 | D | |
| COMMON STOCK | 03/26/2014 | | F | 288 (1) | D | \$ 22.42 (2) | 130,831 | D | |
| COMMON STOCK | 03/26/2014 | | F | 288 (1) | D | \$ 18.4 (2) | 130,543 | 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 | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exer | | 7. Titl | | 8. Price of | 9. Nu |
|--------------------------------------|---|---------------------|---|--------------------------------|---|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|---|
| Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | Transact Code (Instr. 8) | ofNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 5 | | Amou Under Secur (Instr. | rlying | Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
| | | | | Code V | 7 (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

STEPHANUS JULIA A C/O ARATANA THERAPEUTICS, INC. 1901 OLATHE BOULEVARD KANSAS CITY, KS 66103

CHIEF COMMERCIAL OFFICER

Signatures

/s/ John C. Ayres as Attorney-in-Fact for Julia A. Stephanus

03/28/2014

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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) Represents shares withheld on March 26, 2014 to satisfy tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting of restricted stock.
 - Represents the closing price of the Issuer's common stock on the vesting date of the restricted stock. In the event of a vesting date
- (2) occurring on a weekend, represents the closing price of the Issuer's common stock on the business day immediately preceding the vesting date of the restricted stock.

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