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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

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may continue.

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **Boothe Douglas** Issuer Symbol AKORN INC [AKRX] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify C/O AKORN, INC., 1925 W. FIELD 01/08/2019 below) below)

COURT, SUITE 300 (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

Person

LAKE FOREST, IL 60045

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 8) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 01/08/2019 Α 507,614 Α \$0 507,614 D Stock (1)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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 Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou Numb Share
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 3.94	01/08/2019		A	405,938	(2)	01/08/2029	Common Stock	405,
Performance Share Units	<u>(3)</u>	01/08/2019		A	253,807	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	253,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Boothe Douglas C/O AKORN, INC. 1925 W. FIELD COURT, SUITE 300 LAKE FOREST, IL 60045

President and CEO

Signatures

/s/ Joseph Bonaccorsi, Attorney-in-Fact 01/08/2019

**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) The securities acquired are Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) scheduled to vest in four equal installments on January 8, 2020, January 8, 2021, January 8, 2022 and January 8, 2023.
- (2) The Stock Options vest in four equal installments on January 8, 2020, January 8, 2021, January 8, 2022 and January 8, 2023.
- Each Performance Share Unit (PSU) represents a contingent right to receive one share of Akorn common stock. The PSUs will vest at the end of a four-year performance period on January 7, 2023 at between 0% and 300% of target based upon the achievement of a specified price of Akorn's common stock (from \$8 to \$20), subject to continued service through the date of settlement.

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