

SCHAFFER GREGORY W
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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 *
SCHAFFER GREGORY W

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O NILE THERAPEUTICS,
 INC., 4 WEST 4TH AVENUE,
 SUITE 400

(Street)

SAN MATEO, CA 94402

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Nile Therapeutics, Inc. [NLTX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 07/26/2010

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock | | | | (A) or (D) Price | 100 | 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) | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--------------|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount of Number of Shares |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 4.5 | | | | | (1) 01/25/2018 | | Common Stock | 60,000 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 0.93 | | | | | 01/01/2010 12/22/2018 | | Common Stock | 35,000 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 1.77 | | | | | 07/21/2010 07/21/2019 | | Common Stock | 80,000 |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 0.37 | 07/26/2010 | | A | 100,000 | 07/26/2011 07/26/2020 | | Common Stock | 100,000 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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SAN MATEO, CA 94402

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Signatures

/s/ Daron Evans as Attorney-in-Fact for Gregory W. Schafer pursuant to Power of Attorney previously filed.

07/27/2010

__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 shares subject to the option vest in three equal installments on January 25, 2009, January 25, 2010 and January 25, 2011.

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