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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 *
Aryeh Jason

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
LIGAND PHARMACEUTICALS
INC [LGND]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
08/16/2018

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

3911 SORRENTO VALLEY
BOULEVARD, STE 110

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

SAN DIEGO, CA 92121

(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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	08/16/2018		S		1,080	D	\$ 245	78,254	I	Indirect (1)
Common Stock	08/17/2018		S		26,862	D	\$ 241.8122	51,392	I	Indirect (1)
Common Stock								59,118	D	
Common Stock								5,025	I	by Trust

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 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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Aryeh Jason 3911 SORRENTO VALLEY BOULEVARD, STE 110 SAN DIEGO, CA 92121		X		

Signatures

By: Charles S. Berkman For: Jason Aryeh
Date: 08/17/2018

**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) All securities disclosed in this Form 4 are owned by certain funds managed by JALAA Equities, LP, JLV Investments, LP and affiliates (the "Funds"). Jason Aryeh is the General Partner of JALAA Equities, LP and a partner of JLV Investments, LP. By reason of the provisions of Rule 16a-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, JALAA Equities, LP, JLV Investments, LP and affiliates and Mr. Aryeh may be deemed to be the beneficial owners of the securities beneficially owned by the Funds.

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