

Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Form 4

March 20, 2017

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Shandell Jason B.

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
Amphastar Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
[AMPH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
03/16/2017

☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)
President and General Counsel

C/O AMPHASTAR
PHARMACEUTICALS,
INC., 11570 6TH STREET

(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

RANCHO
CUCAMONGA, CA 91730

(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(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired 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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/16/2017		A	(A) or (D) Amount 63,670 (1)	\$ 0 266,871 (2)	D	
Common Stock	03/17/2017		F	(A) or (D) Amount 7,049 (3)	\$ 13.75 259,822	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 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)
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.35	03/16/2017		A	158,784	(4) 03/16/2027	Common Stock 158,78

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Shandell Jason B. C/O AMPHASTAR PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 11570 6TH STREET RANCHO CUCAMONGA, CA 91730	X		President and General Counsel	

Signatures

/s/ Ken Stupak, by power of attorney 03/20/2017

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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- (1) The reported shares are represented by restricted stock units, or RSUs, which vest in four equal annual installments beginning on March 16, 2018.
- (2) Includes 240 shares acquired under the Issuer's 2014 Employee Stock Purchase Plan on November 30, 2016.
- (3) The reported shares were withheld to satisfy the reporting person's tax liability in connection with the vesting of RSUs.
- (4) Shares subject to the option vest in four equal annual installments beginning on March 16, 2018.

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