FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| Name and Address of Reporting Person* Westby Keith | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Ophthotech Corp. [OPHT] | | | | | | | (Che | ck all application | able) | erson(s) to Issu 10% Ov Other (s | ner er |
|--|---|------------|---|---|--|------------|-------------|--|-----------------|--------|---|-------------------------------------|---|--|---|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O OPHTHOTECH CORPORATION ONE PENN PLAZA, 35TH FLOOR | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/19/2017 | | | | | | | | below) | SVP & COO | | poon, |
| (Street) NEW YORK NY 10119 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | Line | dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | |
| Table I - Non-Deriva 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transar Date (Month/Date | | | | ransactio | ction 2A. Deemed Execution Date, | | ed Date, | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. | | ecurit | d of, or Benefic curities Acquired (A) sed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 | | 5. Amoun Securities Beneficia Owned Fo | unt of 6ies Fially (I | rm: Direct or Indirect (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | code v Amount (A) or P ive Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Benefici its, calls, warrants, options, convertible securitie | | | | | | | eficially | cially Owned | | | | |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. | | Derivative | | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | ind | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | Code | v | (A) | | Date Exercisable | Expirat Date | tion | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | (Instr. 4) | 5) | |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$2.94 | 12/19/2017 | | A | | 150,000 | | (1) | 12/18/2 | 2027 | Common Stock | 150,000 | \$0.00 | 150,000 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Subject to continued employment with the Registrant and the other terms and conditions under the Registrant's 2013 Stock Incentive Plan, each of these stock option awards will vest with respect to 25% of the shares subject to the option on the first anniversary of the grant date and with respect to the remaining shares in approximately equal monthly installments through the fourth anniversary of the grant date.

/s/ David F. Carroll, as Attorney-in-Fact for Keith

12/21/2017

Westby

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * 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).

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