## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).	Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Terrillion Scott				2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol  Cara Therapeutics, Inc. [ CARA ]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
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(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CARA THERAPEUTICS, INC.				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/27/2018										Sec'y; Chief Compliance & G.C.				
4 STAMFORD PLAZA, 107 ELM STREET, 9TH			9TH															
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		Tabl	e I - Noi	n-Deriv	ative	Se	curitie	s Acc	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, oı	r Ben	eficia	ally Owr	ed		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transar Date (Month/Date)			Day/Year) if		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)				ities Acquired (A) d Of (D) (Instr. 3,			nd Secu Bene Own	ficially ed Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
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Common Stock 12/2				12/27	7/2018				A		9,486 <sup>(1)</sup> A		\$0.	9,486		D		
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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)		n of		6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea		е	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		str. 3	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Represents the vesting in full of a performance-based restricted stock unit award based on the Issuer's satisfaction of certain performance criteria. In light of the performance-based vesting conditions of the award, such award was not reportable under Section 16 until vesting was determined, which occurred on December 27, 2018. Each restricted stock unit represented the contingent right to receive one share of common stock of the Issuer.

## Remarks:

/s/ Darren DeStefano, Attorney-in-Fact

12/31/2018

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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