

Aryeh Jason  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(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)  
03/14/2011

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

11085 NORTH TORREY PINES ROAD, SUITE 300

(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

LA JOLLA, CA 92037

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	03/14/2011		P		500	A	\$ 9.59	268,111	I	Indirect <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	03/14/2011		P		500	A	\$ 9.63	268,611	I	Indirect <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	03/14/2011		P		500	A	\$ 9.66	269,111	I	Indirect <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	03/14/2011		P		500	A	\$ 9.7	269,611	I	Indirect <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	03/14/2011		P		500	A	\$ 9.72	270,111	I	Indirect <sup>(1)</sup>

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Common Stock	03/14/2011	P	500	A	\$ 9.73	270,611	I	Indirect <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	03/14/2011	P	500	A	\$ 9.77	271,111	I	Indirect <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock						14,429	D	
Common Stock						3,025	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. 6)
				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

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11085 NORTH TORREY PINES ROAD, SUITE 300  
LA JOLLA, CA 92037

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## Signatures

By: John P. Sharp For: Jason Aryeh

03/15/2011

\_\_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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