

Greenman William Mariner
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FORM 4

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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 *
 Greenman William Mariner

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 CERUS CORP [CERS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O CERUS CORPORATION, 2550 STANWELL DRIVE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 09/27/2018

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

President and CEO

(Street)

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

CONCORD, CA 94520

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

(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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Common Stock | 09/27/2018 | | M | 40,000 A | \$ 399,601 ⁽¹⁾ 4.19 | 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)

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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) | 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. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 4.19 | 09/27/2018 | | M | 40,000 | <u>(2)</u> 09/30/2018 | Common Stock | 40,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Greenman William Mariner C/O CERUS CORPORATION 2550 STANWELL DRIVE CONCORD, CA 94520 | X | | President and CEO | |

Signatures

William M. Greenman by Chrystal Menard,
attorney-in-fact 10/01/2018

__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) Includes 4,822 shares purchased under Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan on 8/31/18.
- (2) One eighth (1/8th) of the shares subject to the Option vested six (6) months after the grant date, and one forty-eighth (1/48th) of the shares subject to the Option vested on the first day of each month thereafter.
- (3) Not applicable.

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