FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  SIEGAL JONATHAN  (Last) (First) (Middle)  64 SIDNEY STREET  (Street)  CAMBRIDGE MA 02139  (City) (State) (Zip)						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  Vericel Corp [ VCEL ]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/20/2024  4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)  Rule 10b5-1(c) Transaction Indication										S. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     Director 10% Owner     X Officer (give title Other (specify below)     Principal Accounting Officer      6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
						Check this box to indicate that a transaction was made pursuant to a contract, instruction or written plan that is intended to satisfy the affirmative defense conditions of Rule 10b5-1(c). See Instruction 10.															
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
Date					/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year		Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)			l (A) or . 3, 4 and	Benefici Owned	es ally Following	Form (D) o	r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
										Code	<b>/</b>	Amount	(A (D	) or )	Price	Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(Instr. 4)	
Common	02/20	)/2024					M		2,500	)	A	<b>\$0</b> <sup>(1)</sup>	3,9	3,900(2)		D					
Common Stock 02/					0/2024	/2024				F		1,117	(3)	D \$49.5		5 2,7	2,783(2)		D		
Common Stock 02/20					0/2024	/2024			M			420		A	<b>\$0</b> <sup>(4)</sup>	3,2	3,203(2)		D		
Common Stock 02/20/2					0/2024	/2024				F		169 <sup>(3</sup>	<sup>3)</sup> D \$49.		3,034(2)			D			
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. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	od Date,	4. Transa Code ( 8)	ction	5. Number of		6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year			ble and	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		ecurity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactic (Instr. 4)	e s ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exe	e ercisable		xpiration ate	Title	0 N	Amount or Number of Shares						
Restricted Stock Unit	(5)	02/20/2024			M		2,500			(1)		(6)	Commo		2,500	(7)	7,500	_ ]	D		
Restricted Stock Unit	(5)	02/20/2024			M		420			(4)		(6)	Commo		420	(7)	840		D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The shares of common stock were acquired by the Reporting Person as a result of the vesting of Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) granted to the Reporting Person on February 17, 2023. The remaining RSUs will vest in annual installments on February 17, 2025, February 17, 2026, and February 17, 2027, respectively.
- 2. These shares include shares acquired pursuant to the Issuer's 2015 Employee Stock Purchase Plan in transactions that were exempt under both Rule 16b-3(d) and Rule 16b-3(c).
- 3. These shares were withheld by the Issuer to satisfy the tax withholding requirements in connection with the vesting of RSUs.
- 4. The shares of common stock were acquired by the Reporting Person as a result of the vesting of RSUs granted to the Reporting Person on February 18, 2022. The remaining RSUs will vest in annual installments on February 18, 2025, and February 18, 2026, respectively.
- 5. Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock of Vericel Corporation.
- 6. No expiration date for this type of award.
- 7. The Fair Market Value of the vested derivative securities is \$49.50 per share.

/s/ Sean Flynn, as Attorney-in-02/22/2024 Fact for Jonathan Siegal

\*\* 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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