Synthetic Biologics, Inc. Form 4 March 16, 2017

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Kraws Jeffrey J

(First)

(State)

(Middle)

(Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Synthetic Biologics, Inc. [SYN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 03/14/2017

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

C/O SYNTHETIC BIOLOGICS. INC., 9605 MEDICAL CENTER DRIVE, SUITE 270

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X_ Director

Officer (give title

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

below)

ROCKVILLE, MD 20850

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 7. Nature of 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (D) or Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Following Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price Code V (D) Amount Common 03/14/2017 M 228,773 228,773 D 0.09 Stock

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 or 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 Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour Numb Shares
Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 0.09 (1)	03/14/2017		M		228,773 (1)	01/01/2006(1)	03/20/2017	Common Stock	228,7

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			

Kraws Jeffrey J C/O SYNTHETIC BIOLOGICS, INC. 9605 MEDICAL CENTER DRIVE, SUITE 270 ROCKVILLE, MD 20850

Signatures

/s/ Jeffrey Kraws 03/16/2017

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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) Reflects a 1-for-3 reverse stock split effected in 2007.

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