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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Stone Christopher Lewis</u>					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol PDL BIOPHARMA, INC. [PDLI]									heck all	ship of Reportir applicable) rector		10% O	wner	
	(Fir BIOPHAR THWOOD	,	Middle)			ate of 23/20		t Trans	action (N	/Jonth/	Day/Year)					fficer (give title elow)		Other (below)	specify
(Street) INCLINE VILLAGE NV 89451 (City) (State) (Zip)				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. Li	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable te) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da				Execution Date,		3. Transaction Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4) 8)				d Sed Bed Ow	Amount of curities neficially ned Following ported	6. Owner Form: Di (D) or Ind (I) (Instr.	rect lirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)					
									Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	Tra	nsaction(s) str. 3 and 4)			(msu. 4)
Common Stock 05/23/				2011		A		16,783 ⁽¹⁾ A		\$ <mark>0</mark> .	00	00 42,629							
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
Derivative Conversion Date Execution Date, Security or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)			8. Price (Derivativ Security (Instr. 5)		Owner Form Director Inc (I) (In:	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)					
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	or Num of	ber					

Explanation of Responses:

1. The shares will vest on December 31, 2012, provided Mr. Stone is continuously employed by the Company through such date. In the event Mr. Stone is terminated by PDL without cause or resigns for good reason, the shares shall ratably accelerate and vest in proportion to the time lapsed during the vesting period. During the vesting period, Mr. Stone has the right to vote the shares and will receive any dividends and other shareholder distributions paid by PDL. Such dividends and other distributions shall accumulate with interest and will vest and pay if and when the underlying shares vest.

Remarks:

/s/ Danny J Hart, Jr., Attorneyin-Fact for Christopher Lewis 05/25/2011 Stone 05/25/2011

** 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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The undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints Christine R. Larson and Danny J Hart, Jr., and each of them, his or her, true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) prepare, execute in the undersigned's name and on the undersigned's behalf, and submit to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") a Form ID, including amendments thereto, and any other documents necessary or appropriate to obtain codes and passwords enabling the undersigned to make electronic filings with the SEC of reports required by Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or any rule or regulation of the SEC;
- (2) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director, and/or person who holds more than 10% of the stock of PDL BioPharma, Inc. (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4 and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") and the rules thereunder;
- (3) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4 or 5, complete and execute any amendment(s) thereto, and timely file any such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (4) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done pursuant to this power of attorney. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked or modified by the undersigned in a signed writing, but shall terminate automatically as to each individual attorney-in-fact when such person is no longer an employee of the Company. This Power of Attorney may be filed with the SEC as a confirming statement of the authority granted herein.

The undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 21st day of September, 2010.

By: /s/ Christopher Stone Printed Name: Christopher Stone