## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Saks Samuel R					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol PDL BIOPHARMA, INC. [ PDLI ]											olicable)	g Person(s) to	Issuer Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 932 SOUTHWOOD BLVD.					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 06/09/2017										A		er (give title		er (specify
VILLAG	INCLINE NV 89451 VILLAGE				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X 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. Transac Date (Month/Date)						2A. Deemed Execution Date			3. 4. Securit Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)			ities Acquired (A) d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			4 and Sec Ber		ount of ities icially d Following ted	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect
									Code	v	Amount	(	(A) or (D) Pric				action(s) 3 and 4)		<u> </u>
Common stock 06/09/				/2017			A		60,729 <sup>(1)</sup> A		\$2.	47 159,842		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) if any (Month/Day/Year)			Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) or Dispo	(Month/Day courities cquired ) or sposed (D) sstr. 3, 4 id 5)			e	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares		ount	t r		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. The grant will cliff-vest on the first anniversary of the date of grant so long as the grant recipient continues to serve on the Board of Directors of PDL BioPharma, Inc. During the one-year vesting period, the grant recipient will have the right to vote the shares and receive any dividends and other distributions paid, except that dividends and other distributions will be accumulated and will vest and be paid, with interest, on the earlier of the same vesting conditions as the original award or March 15th of the year following the payment of such dividend or distribution to all stockholders.

## Remarks:

/s/ Nathan N. Kryszak, Attorney-in-Fact for Dr.

Samuel R. Saks

06/12/2017

\*\* 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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