FORM 4

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  SHERRILL JOSEPH H JR						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol BIOCRYST PHARMACEUTICALS INC [ BCRX ]											all app	ıll applicable) Director		Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 2190 PARKWAY LAKE DR						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/04/2003											Officer (give title below)		Other ( below)		
(Street) BIRMINGHAM AL 35244 (City) (State) (Zip)						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					
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D						ar)	Execut if any	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)				4 and Secu Ben Own Rep Tran		urities F eficially (		wnership m: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
										ode V		Amount		(A) or (D)	Price						(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 08/04						3	08/0	08/04/2003		P		1,900	)	A	\$4.03		3 484,100 <sup>(1)</sup>			D	
Common Stock 08/04						/2003		08/04/2003		P		200		A	\$4.2		2 484,300 <sup>(2)</sup>			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/Da	Date, Transaction					Expi	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)				vative urity tr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction( (Instr. 4)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exer			Expiration Date	or Nun of Title Sha		mber						

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. An additional 10,000 shares are held by Cynthia Sherrill (wife), and 1,000 shares held by Andrew Sherrill (son) for a total of 495,100 shares held directly and indirectly.
- 2. An additional 10,000 shares are held by Cynthia Sherrill (wife) and 1,000 shares by Andrew Sherrill (son) for a total of 495,300 shares held directlyand indirectly.

Mike Richardson, by Power of

08/05/2003

**Attorney** 

\*\* 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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