FORM 3

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  SANDELL SCOTT D   |                        |  | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 10/04/2017  3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RHYTHM PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. [ RYTM ] |  |  |  |                                    |   |  |  |  |
|---|------------------------|--|---|--|--|--|------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|
| (Last)<br>1954 GREENS   | (First)<br>SPRING DRIV | (Middle)   |   |  | 4. Relationship of Reporting Pers (Check all applicable)  Director X | ( )  | (Mon                               | 5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)    |  |  |  |
| SUITE 600   |                        |  |   |  | Officer (give title below)   | Other (spec<br>below)                                | Appli                              | cable Line)   | Group Filing (Check                        |  |  |
| (Street) TIMONIUM   |                        | 21093  |   |  |  |  | X                                  | ,   | one Reporting Person  More than One  erson |  |  |
| (City)  | (State)                | (Zip)  | Table I Na  | us Domisso   | tiva Casumitiaa Banafiaial   | l O  |                                    |   |  |  |  |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned  |                        |  |   |  |  |  |                                    |   |  |  |  |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)   |                        |  |   |  | 2. Amount of Securities<br>Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)             | 3. Ownershi<br>Form: Direc<br>or Indirect (Instr. 5) | t (D)   (Instr.                    | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5)    |  |  |  |
| Common Stock  |                        |  |   |  | 29,378(1)  | I  | See N                              | See Note 2 <sup>(2)</sup>                                   |  |  |  |
| Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned<br>(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |                        |  |   |  |  |  |                                    |   |  |  |  |
| '''' '''  |                        | 2. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |   | 3. Title and Amount of Securities<br>Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) |  | 4.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise                      | 5.<br>Ownership<br>Form:           | 6. Nature of Indirect<br>Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |  |  |  |
|   |                        |  | Date<br>Exercisable   | Expiration<br>Date   | Title  | Amount or<br>Number of<br>Shares                     | Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 5)                 |  |  |  |
| Series A Prefer   | red Stock              |  | (3)   | (3)  | Common Stock   | 1,402,870  | (3)                                | I   | See Note 2 <sup>(2)</sup>                  |  |  |
| Series A-1 Jun  | ior Preferred St       | ock  | (3)   | (3)  | Common Stock   | 2,927,708  | (3)                                | I   | See Note 2 <sup>(2)</sup>                  |  |  |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- $1. \ Reflects \ a \ 1-for -9.17 \ reverse \ split \ effective \ as \ of \ September \ 29, \ 2017.$
- 2. The Reporting Person is a director of NEA 13 GP, LTD, which is the sole general partner of NEA Partners 13, L.P. ("NEA Partners 13"). NEA Partners 13 is the sole general partner of New Enterprise Associates 13, L.P. ("NEA 13"), which is the direct beneficial owner of the securities. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership, within the meaning of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise of such portion of the NEA 13 shares in which the Reporting Person has no pecuniary interest.
- 3. Each share of Series A Convertible Preferred Stock and Series A-1 Junior Preferred Stock is convertible, at any time, at the holder's election, into Common Stock of the Issuer on a 9.17-for-one basis. In addition, effective upon the closing of the Issuer's initial public offering of its Common Stock, each share of preferred stock will automatically convert on a 9.17-for-one basis without payment of consideration. The preferred stock has no expiration date.

## Remarks:

/s/ Sasha Keough, attorney-in-

10/04/2017

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\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (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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