GERON CORP Form 4 May 29, 2008

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

subject to **SECURITIES** Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

See Instruction 1(b).

(City)

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) t
BARKAS ALEXANDER E	Symbol	Issuer

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

GERON CORP [GERN] (Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner _Other (specify Officer (give title 05/28/2008

C/O GERON CORPORATION, 230 below) CONSTITUTION DRIVE

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

MENLO PARK, CA 94025

(Zip)

(State)

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1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securit	ies Ac	quired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction(A) or Disposed of		Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect		
(Instr. 3)	•	any	Code	(D)			Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4	4 and 5	5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
							Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					()		Reported		
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			~		or	~ .	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	· ·		
Common Stock	05/28/2008		A	10,076	A	\$ 0 (1)	166,676	D	
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Common Stock	05/28/2008		A	12,500 (2)	A	$ \begin{array}{c} \$ 0 \\ \stackrel{(2)}{\underline{}} \end{array} $	179,176	D	

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)

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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.97	05/28/2008		A	25,000	05/28/2008	05/28/2018	Common Stock	25,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 3.97	05/28/2008		A	10,000	(3)	05/28/2018	Common Stock	10,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
BARKAS ALEXANDER E C/O GERON CORPORATION 230 CONSTITUTION DRIVE MENLO PARK, CA 94025	X				

Signatures

/s/ Olivia Bloom for Alexander E. Barkas

05/29/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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) Shares issued in lieu of cash payment for annual board of directors retainer fee. Number of shares issued based on close price on May 28, 2008 of \$3.97 per share.
- The shares of restricted stock will remain subject to a repurchase right of Geron over four years, during such time the repurchase right (2) will lapse with respect to 25% of such shares on each anniversary date of the date of grant. The lapse of Geron's repurchase right is conditioned on the director continuing to provide services to Geron through each vesting date.
- (3) This option is exercisable in a series of 24 equal monthly installments commencing on September 18, 2008, provided the optionee continues to provide services to the Company.

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