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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)  1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *- LAPOINTE ANTHONY GREGG			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RIGEL PHARMACEUTICALS INC [RIGL]							5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) RIGEL PHARMACEUTICALS, INC., 1180 VETERANS BLVD.			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/19/2021								e title below)		her (specify belo	ow)	
(Street) SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)							6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(Cit		(State)	(Zip)			Table I	- Non-De	rivative Sec	curitie	s Acquire	ed, Disposed	of, or Bene	ficially Own	ned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Ye					3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)		6. Ownership Form:	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial		
				(Month	/Day/Year)	Coo	de V	Amount	(A) or (D)		or Ind (I)		Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	irect (Instr. 4)	
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	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
LAPOINTE ANTHONY GREGG RIGEL PHARMACEUTICALS, INC. 1180 VETERANS BLVD. SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080	X					

# **Signatures**

/s/ Dolly Vance (Attorney-in-Fact)	05/21/2021
**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) The shares of Common Stock are to be acquired upon the vesting of a Restricted Stock Unit award granted to the Reporting Person. The Restricted Stock Units shall fully vest on the date prior to the Company's next Annual Meeting, subject to the reporting person's continuous service on the Company's Board of Directors.
- (2) The shares vest monthly over one (1) year from the date of grant subject to the reporting person's continuous service on the Company's Board of Directors.

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