

Nile Therapeutics, Inc.  
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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 \*  
TANEN DAVID M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O TWO RIVER GROUP HOLDINGS, LLC, 689 FIFTH AVENUE, 12TH FLOOR

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
Nile Therapeutics, Inc. [NLTX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
07/15/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 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) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)           |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price                                |   |  |   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 1,520,705   | D  |   |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 137,941   | I  | By Spouse for Minor Children <sup>(1)</sup> |

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 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)                | \$ 4.5   |                                      |  |                                |   | <u>(2)</u>   | 01/25/2018  | Common Stock | 50,000                     |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 0.93  |                                      |  |                                |   | 01/01/2010   | 12/22/2018  | Common Stock | 25,000                     |
| Warrant (Right to Buy)                     | \$ 1.375   | 07/15/2009                           |  | <u>J</u> <sup>(3)</sup>        | 31,650  | 07/15/2009   | 07/15/2019  | Common Stock | 31,650                     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| TANEN DAVID M<br>C/O TWO RIVER GROUP HOLDINGS, LLC<br>689 FIFTH AVENUE, 12TH FLOOR<br>NEW YORK, NY 10022 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ David M. Tanen 07/16/2009

\*\*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) Held by the Reporting Person's spouse as custodian for the benefit of their minor children under the Uniform Gift to Minors Act. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, if any, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of these shares for purposes of Section 16 or any other purpose.

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- (2) The shares subject to the option vest in three equal installments on September 17, 2008, September 17, 2009, and September 2010.
- (3) Allocated from warrant issued to a placement agent.

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