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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Starling William N JR</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ASENSUS SURGICAL, INC. [ASXC]</u>			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>06/13/2022</u>			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
345 GOLDEN HILLS DRIVE			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					
(Street)	CA	94028						
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	06/13/2022		S		27,010	D	\$0.4 ⁽¹⁾	13,846	D	
Common Stock								18,134	I	See footnote ⁽²⁾
Common Stock								22,849	I	See footnote ⁽³⁾

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Stock Option ⁽⁴⁾	\$0.38	06/14/2022		A		55,340		(5)	06/14/2029	Common Stock	55,340	\$0.00	55,340	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. The shares were purchased in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$0.4094 to \$0.39, with a weighted average price per share of \$0.40. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Asensus Surgical, Inc., any security holder of Asensus Surgical, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares purchased at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote to this Form 4.
- Shares of Common Stock held by Synecor, L.L.C. The Reporting Person is the chief executive officer of Synecor, L.L.C. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- Shares of Common Stock held by W. Starling and D. Starling, Trustees of the Starling Family Trust, UDT August 15, 1990.
- Represents an equity award issued under the Registrant's Amended and Restated Incentive Compensation Plan.
- The stock options will vest on a quarterly basis over the one year following the date of grant, with the first vesting on the date of grant.

Remarks:

/s/ Joshua Weingard, as attorney-in-fact for William N. Starling 06/15/2022

** 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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