

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>LAVIOLETTE PAUL A</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>ONE BOSTON PLACE</u> <u>201 WASHINGTON STREET, SUITE 3900</u> (Street) <u>BOSTON MA 02108</u> (City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>09/03/2013</u> | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>SafeStitch Medical, Inc. [SFES.OB]</u> | |
| | | 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) | 5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 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 |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4) | | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) |
|--|--|-----------------|---|----------------------------|--|--|---|
| | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | |
| Stock Option (right to buy) | 09/03/2013 ⁽¹⁾ | 07/21/2021 | Common Stock | 28,832 | 0.07 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Option vests and the shares become exercisable according to the following schedule: 1/4 on July 21, 2012 and 1/48 each full calendar month thereafter.

Thomas B. Rosedale (pursuant to power of attorney) 09/11/2013

** 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 5 (b)(v).

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Date: August 22, 2013

_/s/ Paul LaViolette_____

Name: Paul LaViolette