FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*			Requiring S (Month/Day	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 07/22/2021 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ASENSUS SURGICAL, INC. [ASXC]						
(Last) 1 TW ALEX (Street) DURHAM (City)	(First) XANDER D NC (State)	(Middle) RIVE 27703 (Zip)	-		4. Relationship of Report Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director Officer (give title below)	10% (Owner (specify	6. Individual or Jo (Check Applicable X Form filed Person Form filed	f Amendment, Date of Original of (Month/Day/Year) Individual or Joint/Group Filing neck Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
		Та	ıble I - Non	-Derivati	ive Securities Bene	ficially O	wned			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)				Į į	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Inst 4)		Direct Ondirect	. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)										
		2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Underlying Derivative (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of		6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
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Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

No securities owned

No securities are beneficially owned.

/s/ Joshua Weingard as

attorney-in-fact for Kevin 07/26/2021

<u>Hobert</u>

** 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).
- $^{\star\star} \ Intentional \ misstatements \ or \ omissions \ of facts \ constitute \ Federal \ Criminal \ Violations \ See \ 18 \ U.S.C. \ 1001 \ and \ 15 \ U.S.C. \ 78 \ ff(a).$

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POWER OF ATTORNEY For Executing Forms 3, 4 and 5

Know all persons by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Joshua Weingard and Shameze Rampertab, and each or either of them,

his true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) prepare and/or execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer of Asensus Surgical, Inc. (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4 and 5 to report transactions in the Company's securities reportable by the undersigned in accordance with the provisions of Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder;
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete the preparation and execution of any such Form 3, 4 or 5, and any amendment thereto, and the timely filing of any such Form 3, 4 or 5, and any amendment thereto, with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any other authority, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in his or her discretion; and
- (3) resign as attorney-in-fact and appoint, as a replacement attorney-in-fact, any employee of the Company at the time of such resignation; provided that such resigning and replacement attorneys-in-fact shall send notice to the undersigned of any such replacement.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary and proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or any replacement attorney-in-fact, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, and any replacement attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended or the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms, 3, 4 and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 22nd day of July, 2021.

/s/Kevin Hobert Signature Kevin Hobert Print Name