

Jayaraman Vivek K  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Jayaraman Vivek K

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O CERUS CORPORATION, 2550  
STANWELL DRIVE

(Street)

CONCORD, CA 94520

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
CERUS CORP [CERS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/12/2019

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Chief Commercial Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_X\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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Person

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/12/2019		M	3,750 A	65,308 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Common Stock	03/12/2019		M	15,834 A	81,142	D	
Common Stock	03/13/2019		S	5,979 <sup>(3)</sup> D	\$ 75,163	D	

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)		8. I	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Unit	(1)	03/12/2019		M		3,750		(4)	(4)	Common Stock	3,750
Restricted Stock Unit	(1)	03/12/2019		M		15,834		(6)	(6)	Common Stock	15,834

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Jayaraman Vivek K C/O CERUS CORPORATION 2550 STANWELL DRIVE CONCORD, CA 94520	Chief Commercial Officer

## Signatures

Vivek K. Jayaraman, by Chrystal Menard,  
attorney-in-fact 03/13/2019

\_\_\_\_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) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one (1) share of Cerus Common Stock.
- (2) Includes 4,823 and 1,951 shares purchased under Issuer's Employee Stock Purchase Plan on 08/31/18 and 02/28/19, respectively.
- (3) Represents the number of shares required to be sold to cover the statutory tax withholding obligations and corresponding brokerage fee in connection with the vesting of the restricted stock units listed in Table II. This sale is mandated by the election to satisfy the minimum statutory tax withholding obligations through a "sell to cover" transaction and does not represent a discretionary sale by the reporting person.
- (4) The restricted stock unit vests in three equal annual installments beginning on March 12, 2018.
- (5) Not applicable.
- (6) The restricted stock unit vests in three equal annual installments beginning on March 12, 2019.

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