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Instruction 1(b) Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person (Check all applicable) PLIANT THERAPEUTICS, INC. [ PLRX ] Coulie Bernard X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) President and CEO C/O PLIANT THERAPEUTICS, INC. 04/13/2021 260 LITTLEFIELD AVENUE 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable (Street) Line) **SOUTH SAN** Form filed by One Reporting Person 94080 CA **FRANCISCO** Form filed by More than One Reporting (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction 2A. Deemed 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of **Execution Date** Transaction Securities Beneficially Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial (Month/Dav/Year) if any Code (Instr. (D) or Indirect (Month/Day/Year) 8) Owned Following Ownership (Instr. 4) (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) or (D) Transaction(s) Price Code v Amount (Instr. 3 and 4) 54,840 Common Stock 04/13/2021 6,000 Α \$2.08 D See S<sup>(1)</sup> Common Stock 04/14/2021 3,500 D \$30.3318(2) 456,817 footnote(3) Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

## 3. Transaction Date 8. Price of 1. Title of 3A. Deemed 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and 9. Number of 11. Nature Conversion Transaction Ownership Derivative **Execution Date** Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Amount of Derivative derivative of Indirect Derivative (Month/Day/Year) Code (Instr. Security or Exercise if any Securities Security Securities Form: Beneficial Price of Derivative (Month/Day/Year) 8) Securities Underlying Derivative Security Beneficially Direct (D) Ownership (Instr. 4) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 Owned or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Security (Instr. 3 and 4) **Following** Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) ànd 5) Amount Number Date Expiration Code ٧ (A) (D) Exercisable Date Title Shares Stock (4) \$2.08 04/13/2021 6,000 01/23/2029 6.000 \$0.00 337,380 D (right to Stock buy)

- 1. The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the Reporting Person on September 22, 2020.
- 2. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted-average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$30.02 to \$30.55, inclusive. The Reporting Person undertakes to provide to Pliant Therapeutics, Inc., any security holder of Pliant Therapeutics, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnote (2) to this Form 4.
- 3. The Reporting Person and his spouse serve as trustees for the trust. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, and the inclusion of these shares in this report shall not be deemed an admission of beneficial ownership of all of the reported shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose
- 4. 1/48th of the shares subject to the original option grant vest and become exercisable in substantially equal installments on each monthly anniversary of January 24, 2019, subject to the Reporting Person's continuous service to the Issuer on each such date

## Remarks:

/s/ Mike Ouimette, attorney-in-04/15/2021 fact

\*\* 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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