

Cara Therapeutics, Inc.  
Form 3  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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|---|---|--|--|---|---|
| <p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</p> <p>Â Terrillion Scott</p> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p>C/O CARA THERAPEUTICS, INC.,Â 4 STAMFORD PLAZA, 107 ELM STREET, 9TH FL</p> <p>(Street)</p> <p>STAMFORD,Â CTÂ 06902</p> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p> | <p>2. Date of Event Requiring Statement</p> <p>(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>05/01/2017</p> | <p>3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p>Cara Therapeutics, Inc. [CARA]</p> | <p>4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</p> <p>(Check all applicable)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner<br/><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other<br/>(give title below) (specify below)<br/>Sec'y; Chief Compliance &amp; G.C.</p> | <p>5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</p> | <p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person<br/><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p> |
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned<br>(Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 5) | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |
|------------------------------------|--|---|--|
| Common Stock                       | 0  | D   | Â  |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

| 1. Title of Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 4) | 4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative | 5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership<br>(Instr. 5) |
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|                                      | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title        | Amount or Number of Shares | Security | Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------------------|----------|---------------------------------------|
| Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy) | 11/28/2026       | 11/28/2026      | Common Stock | 135,000                    | \$ 9.22  | D                                     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                                |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                        | Other |
| Terrillion Scott<br>C/O CARA THERAPEUTICS, INC.<br>4 STAMFORD PLAZA, 107 ELM STREET, 9TH FL<br>STAMFORD, CT 06902 |               |           | Sec'y; Chief Compliance & G.C. |       |

## Signatures

/s/Alison Haggerty,  
Attorney-in-Fact

05/11/2017

Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
- One-fourth (1/4th) of the shares vest on November 28, 2017, with the balance of the shares vesting in a series of thirty-six (36) successive equal monthly installments thereafter, in each case subject to the Reporting Person's Continuous Service (as defined in the 2014 Equity Incentive Plan) as of each such date.

Remarks:

Exhibit List - Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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