

CRITICAL THERAPEUTICS INC  
 Form 4/A  
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**FORM 4**

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 Warren Howland Shaw

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 CRITICAL THERAPEUTICS INC  
 [CRTX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 12/17/2004

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

C/O CRITICAL THERAPEUTICS, INC., 60 WESTVIEW STREET

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)  
 12/20/2004

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

LEXINGTON, MA 02421

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  | (D)  | Price                             |
| Common Stock                    | 12/17/2004                           |  | M                              |   | 21,356  | A  | \$ 1.05                           |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                |   | 307,244   | 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)**

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| 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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Option to Purchase Common Stock            | \$ 1.05  | 12/17/2004                           |  | M                              | 21,356  | <u>(1)</u> 12/19/2013                                    | Common Stock  | 21,356                     |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Warren Howland Shaw<br>C/O CRITICAL THERAPEUTICS, INC.<br>60 WESTVIEW STREET<br>LEXINGTON, MA 02421 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ Scott B. Townsend,  
Attorney-in-Fact

10/21/2005

\*\*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) There were 85,426 shares of common stock underlying this option. 21,357 of the underlying shares vested on December 19, 2003. 5,340 of the underlying shares vested on December 19, 2004. 12,813 of the underlying shares vest on December 31, 2004. 16,018 of the underlying shares vest in 36 equal monthly installments beginning January 19, 2005. 1,424 of the underlying shares vest on December 31, 2007. Based on the satisfaction of certain performance objectives as determined by the Company, 14,237 of the underlying shares vest on December 31, 2005 and 14,237 vest on December 31, 2006, provided that any of such shares that remain unvested shall vest on December 31, 2007.

### Remarks:

This amendment is being filed to correct the number of non-derivative securities beneficially owned after the reported transaction.

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