## LAWLIS V BRYAN Form 3 March 15, 2012 FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 OMB

### INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> LAWLIS V BRYAN			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GERON CORP [GERN]					
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	03/13/2012 4. Relationship of Rep Person(s) to Issuer				5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)		
C/O GERON				(6)					
CORPORATI				(Check all applicable)					
CONSTITUTI	ION DRIV	VЕ		X Director	10% Owner				
(Street) MENLO PARK, CA 94025				Officer (give title below	v) (specify below)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
MENLO PAR	K,A CAA	494025					Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - N	Non-Derivati	ive Securiti	es Bei	neficially Owned		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)	y		2. Amount o Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nat Owne (Instr.	•		
Reminder: Report owned directly or	-	te line for ea	ch class of securities benefic	ially SI	EC 1473 (7-02)	)			
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)									

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	Derivative Security 2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D)	

				Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Option (right to buy)	(1)	03/13/2022	Common Stock	70,000	\$ 1.73	D	Â

## **Reporting Owners**

<b>Reporting Owner Name / Address</b>		Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
LAWLIS V BRYAN C/O GERON CORPORA 230 CONSTITUTION DR MENLO PARK, CA 9	IVE	ÂX	Â	Â	Â			
Signatures								
V. Bryan Lawlis	03/15	5/2012						
**Signature of	D	ate						

# **Explanation of Responses:**

Reporting Person

- \* 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).
- (1) This option vests in a series of three equal consecutive annual installments commencing from March 13, 2012, provided the director continues to provide services to the Company.

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