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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Form 5 obligations may Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Rice William G.  (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O APTOSE BIOSCIENCES INC., 251 CONSUMERS ROAD, SUITE 1105  (Street)  TORONTO, A6 M2J 4R3			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol     Aptose Biosciences Inc. [APTO]     3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)     07/06/2022						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  X_ Director						
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				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					_X_ Fo	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person _Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
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## **Reporting Owners**

	Relationships				
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Rice William G. C/O APTOSE BIOSCIENCES INC. 251 CONSUMERS ROAD, SUITE 1105 TORONTO, A6 M2J 4R3	X		Chair, President & CEO		

# **Signatures**

	/s/ Janet Clennett as attorney-in-fact for William G. Rice	07/07/2022
۰	**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) Represents performance stock options granted on July 6, 2022, which vest in tranches upon the achievement of specified performance events. Settlement of vested performance stock options will occur as soon as pre-ticable following vestion. This area is being a soon as pre-ticable following vestion. occur as soon as practicable following vesting. This grant is being reported voluntarily.

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