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#### FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Rice Michael |                                      |              | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BIOLIFE SOLUTIONS INC [BLFS] |  |  |        |                 | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer   |  |   |  |
|--|--------------------------------------|--------------|--|--|--|--------|-----------------|--|--|---|--|
| g  |                                      |              |  |  |  |        | 22101           | (Check all applicable)   |  |   |  |
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| C/O DIOI IEE COLUTIONS                                 |                                      |              | (Month/Day/Year)   |  |  |        |                 | X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify                                      |  |   |  |
| C/O BIOLIFE SOLUTIONS,<br>INC., 3303 MONTE VILLA       |                                      |              | 05/15/2018   |  |  |        |                 | below) below)  |  |   |  |
|  | Y, SUITE 310                         |              |  |  |  |        | President & CEO |  |  |   |  |
| (Street) 4.  |                                      |              |  | 4. If Amendment, Date Original         |  |        |                 | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  |  |   |  |
| Fi   |                                      |              |  | Filed(Month/Day/Year)                  |  |        |                 | Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person   |  |   |  |
| BOTHELL, WA 98021                                      |                                      |              |  |  |  |        |                 | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person   |  |   |  |
| (City)   | (State)                              | (Zip)        | Table  | e I - Non-D                            | erivative S                                | Securi | ties Acq        | uired, Disposed o  | of, or Beneficial  | lly Owned   |  |
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)                   | 2. Transaction Da<br>(Month/Day/Year | r) Execution |  | 3.<br>Transactio<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 4. Securit<br>on(A) or Dis<br>(Instr. 3, 4 | sposed | of (D)          | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
| Common   |                                      |              |  | Code V                                 | Amount                                     | (D)    | Price<br>\$     | (Instr. 3 and 4)   |  |   |  |
| Stock  | 05/15/2018                           |              |  | M                                      | 12,540                                     | A      | 1.12            | 152,057  | D  |   |  |
| Common   | 05/15/2018                           |              |  | S(1)                                   | 12,540                                     | D      | \$<br>8.65      | 139,517  | 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)

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number of actionDerivative Securities 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) |        | Expiration Date     |                    | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |                                     |
|---|---|---|---|--|--|--------|---------------------|--------------------|---|-------------------------------------|
|   |   |   |   | Code V                                 | (A)  | (D)    | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares |
| Employee<br>Stock<br>Options                        | \$ 1.12   | 05/15/2018                              |   | M                                      |  | 12,540 | 08/14/2012          | 02/24/2021         | Common<br>Stock   | 12,540                              |

# **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address      | Relationships |           |           |       |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------|--|--|
| 1                                   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer   | Other |  |  |
| Rice Michael                        |               |           |           |       |  |  |
| C/O BIOLIFE SOLUTIONS, INC.         | v             |           | President |       |  |  |
| 3303 MONTE VILLA PARKWAY, SUITE 310 | X             |           | & CEO     |       |  |  |
| BOTHELL, WA 98021                   |               |           |           |       |  |  |

### **Signatures**

/s/ Michael Rice

05/16/2018

\*\*Signature of Date
Reporting Person

## **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) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on December 14, 2017, the terms of which have been disclosed in a Form 8-K filed by BioLife Solutions, Inc. (the "Registrant") on December 14, 2017.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$8.56 to \$8.7203, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the Registrant, any security holder of the Registrant, 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 range.

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