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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>PETERSON MICHAEL L</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>515 MADISON AVENUE, SUITE 8078</u>  (Street) <u>NEW YORK NY 10022</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Ocean Biomedical, Inc. [ OCEA ]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>02/15/2023</u>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			

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

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						Title
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$10	02/15/2023		A		75,000		(I)	02/15/2033	Common Stock	75,000	\$0	75,000	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

1. Represents a right to purchase 75,000 shares of the common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share (collectively, the "Option Shares"), of Ocean Biomedical, Inc. (the "Issuer") upon the exercise of a ten-year option granted to the Reporting Person as a non-employee director of the Issuer on February 15, 2023 under the Issuer's 2022 Stock Option and Incentive Plan. This option becomes exercisable in 36 monthly installments beginning on March 15, 2023, with 2,083 Option Shares becoming exercisable on each of the first 35 installments and the remaining 2,095 Option Shares becoming exercisable on the final installment, subject to the Reporting Person remaining in service as a member of the Issuer's board of directors on each installment date. This option is exercisable at an exercise price per Option Share equal to the greater of (i) \$10, or (ii) the closing trading price of the Issuer's common stock on February 15, 2023, which was \$6.06.

**Remarks:**

Exhibit List - Exhibit 24.1: Power of Attorney (Michael L. Peterson)

/s/ Katherine E. Spiser, as attorney-in-fact for Michael L. Peterson 02/17/2023

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

\* 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).

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**POWER OF ATTORNEY**

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Kate L. Bechen, Thomas S. Vaughn, Joseph R. DeHondt, Timothy B. Caprez, Robin K. Lehninger, Julie A. D'Angelo, Katherine E. Spiser, or Hallie D. Heath, or any of them acting singly and with full power of substitution, as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

- (1) prepare and execute for and on behalf of the undersigned Forms 3, 4, and 5 and Schedules 13D and 13G in accordance with Sections 13 and 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and the rules promulgated thereunder, as applicable, and any other forms or reports the undersigned may be required to file in connection with the undersigned's ownership, acquisition, or disposition of securities of Ocean Biomedical, Inc. (the "Company");
- (2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned that may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5, Schedule 13D or 13G, or other form or report, and to timely file such form or report with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing, which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorney-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, is not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 13 or Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, or 5 or Schedules 13D or 13G with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of January 30, 2023.

*/s/ Michael L. Peterson*

Michael L. Peterson

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[Signature Page to Power of Attorney]

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