
**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

**CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **February 13, 2020**

TREVENA, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-36193
(Commission
File No.)

26-1469215
(IRS Employer
Identification No.)

**955 Chesterbrook Boulevard, Suite 110
Chesterbrook, PA 19087**
(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(610) 354-8840**

Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

<u>Title of each class</u>	<u>Trading Symbol(s)</u>	<u>Name of each exchange on which registered</u>
Common Stock, \$0.001 par value	TRVN	The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter). Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On February 13, 2020, Trevena, Inc. (the “Company”) issued a press release announcing the appointment of Scott Applebaum as Chief Legal and Compliance Officer and Senior Vice President of Regulatory Affairs.

A copy of this press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report. The information contained in the press release furnished as Exhibit 99.1 shall not be deemed “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), and is not incorporated by reference into any of the Company’s filings under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, whether made before or after the date hereof, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in any such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release dated, February 13, 2020

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

TREVENA, INC.

Date: February 13, 2020

By: /s/ Barry Shin
Barry Shin
Sr. Vice President, Chief Financial Officer



Trevena Appoints Scott Applebaum as Chief Legal and Compliance Officer and SVP of Regulatory Affairs

CHESTERBROOK, Pa., Feb. 13, 2020 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) --**Trevena, Inc. (Nasdaq: TRVN)**, a biopharmaceutical company focused on the development and commercialization of novel medicines for patients with central nervous system (CNS) disorders, today announced the appointment of Scott Applebaum as Chief Legal and Compliance Officer and Senior Vice President of Regulatory Affairs. Mr. Applebaum comes to the Company with over 20 years of experience in a variety of senior leadership roles at both large and small companies at various stages of development and commercialization in the biopharmaceuticals sector.

"We are very pleased that Scott is joining the Trevena team at this important stage in our progress," said Carrie Bourdow, President and Chief Executive Officer of Trevena, Inc. "We recently achieved a significant milestone with the resubmission of the NDA for oliceridine. We have several important catalysts ahead this year, including proof-of-concept data for TRV250 in acute migraine and associated anxiety; and, of course, potential approval and launch of oliceridine. Scott's breadth of strategic, legal and regulatory experience will be invaluable as we prepare for the commercialization of oliceridine and continue to advance our innovative pipeline."

"I am excited to join the Trevena team," said Scott Applebaum. "I look forward to helping the company grow and continue in its mission of 'Innovating for Patients' and developing and commercializing important new therapeutic options for patients in need."

Mr. Applebaum joins Trevena with extensive experience providing legal counsel and regulatory guidance to biopharmaceutical companies in a variety of roles across several organizations. He began his biopharmaceutical career over two decades ago at Bristol-Myers Squibb, where he served in various legal and compliance roles. He subsequently joined Shire Pharmaceuticals as Senior Vice President, where he held leadership roles in multiple functions, including SVP of Legal, SVP of Global Regulatory Affairs & Quality Assurance and SVP of the Global Neuroscience Business Unit where he led the successful launch of Shire's flagship and market-leading ADHD product in multiple countries. Mr. Applebaum's experience with high growth biopharmaceutical companies includes his role as General Counsel and Corporate Secretary of Vitae Pharmaceuticals where he played a key role in the sale of Vitae to Allergan plc, as well as Chief Legal Officer of Medgenics. Most recently, Mr. Applebaum was President of Context Therapeutics, a privately held biopharma company dedicated to discovering novel compounds for the treatment of hormone responsive cancers. Mr. Applebaum received a B.S.E. in Finance and Accounting from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania and a J.D. from the Stanford Law School.

About Trevena

Trevena, Inc. is a biopharmaceutical company focused on the development and commercialization of novel medicines for patients with CNS disorders. The Company has four novel and differentiated investigational drug candidates, including IV oliceridine, for the management of moderate to severe acute pain in hospitals, TRV250 for the acute treatment of migraine, and TRV734 for maintenance treatment of opioid use disorder. The Company has also identified TRV045, a novel S1P receptor modulator that may offer a new, non-opioid approach to treating a variety of CNS disorders.

**Forward-Looking Statements**

Any statements in this press release about future expectations, plans and prospects for the Company, including statements about the Company's strategy, future operations, clinical development of its therapeutic candidates, plans for potential future product candidates and other statements containing the words "anticipate," "believe," "estimate," "expect," "intend," "may," "plan," "predict," "project," "suggest," "target," "potential," "will," "would," "could," "should," "continue," and similar expressions, constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of The Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Actual results may differ materially from those indicated by such forward-looking statements as a result of various important factors, including: the status, timing, costs, results and interpretation of the Company's clinical trials; the uncertainties inherent in conducting clinical trials; expectations for regulatory approvals, including for oliceridine; availability of funding sufficient for the Company's foreseeable and unforeseeable operating expenses and capital expenditure requirements; uncertainties related to the Company's intellectual property; other matters that could affect the availability or commercial potential of the Company's therapeutic candidates; and other factors discussed in the Risk Factors set forth in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K and Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and in other filings the Company makes with the SEC from time to time. In addition, the forward-looking statements included in this press release represent the Company's views only as of the date hereof. The Company anticipates that subsequent events and developments may cause the Company's views to change. However, while the Company may elect to update these forward-looking statements at some point in the future, it specifically disclaims any obligation to do so, except as may be required by law.

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