

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Ciulla Thomas</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) C/O CLEARSIDE BIOMEDICAL, INC. 900 NORTH POINT PARKWAY, SUITE 200 (Street) ALPHARETTA GA 30005 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 06/18/2020	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Clearside Biomedical, Inc. [CLSD]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Chief Medical Officer	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	145,000 ⁽¹⁾	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	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 Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	(2)	10/24/2028	Common Stock	80,000	5.04	D	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	(3)	02/05/2029	Common Stock	100,000	1.24	D	
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	(4)	01/08/2030	Common Stock	75,000	2.37	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Includes 70,000 restricted stock units ("RSUs"). Fifty percent (50%) of the shares underlying these RSUs vest on September 18, 2020 and twenty-five percent (25%) of the remaining RSUs vest in four equal quarterly installments thereafter. Also includes an additional 50,000 RSUs. Twenty-five percent (25%) of the shares underlying these RSUs vest in four equal annual installments on January 8, 2021, January 8, 2022, January 8, 2023 and January 8, 2024. Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock of the Issuer. Vesting is subject to the Reporting Person's continuous service as of each such vesting date, and subject to accelerated vesting in specified circumstances.
- One-fourth of the shares underlying this option vested on October 24, 2019 and the balance of the shares vested or vest in a series of 36 successive equal monthly installments thereafter, subject to the reporting person's continuous service as of each such vesting date.
- One-fourth of the shares underlying this option vested on February 5, 2020 and the balance of the shares vested or vest in a series of 36 successive equal monthly installments thereafter, subject to the reporting person's continuous service as of each such vesting date.
- One-fourth of the shares underlying this option vest on January 8, 2021 and the balance of the shares vest in a series of 36 successive equal monthly installments thereafter, subject to the reporting person's continuous service as of each such vesting date.

Remarks:

Exhibit List - Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

/s/ Mark Ballantyne,
Attorney-in-Fact

06/26/2020

** 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 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).

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

(For Executing Form ID and Forms 3, 4 and 5)

Know all by these presents, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints each of Brent B. Siler, Brian F. Leaf, Mark Ballantyne, Asheley Walker and Jason Minio of Cooley LLP, and George Lasezkay, Charles A. Deignan and Leslie Zacks of Clearside Biomedical, Inc. (the "Company"), the undersigned's true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents to:

(1) Prepare, execute in the undersigned's name and on the undersigned's behalf, and submit to the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") a Form ID, Uniform Application for Access Codes to File on EDGAR, including amendments thereto, and any other documents necessary or appropriate to obtain codes and passwords enabling the undersigned to make electronic filings with the SEC of reports required by Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or any rule or regulation thereunder;

(2) Prepare, execute in the undersigned's name and on the undersigned's behalf, and submit to the SEC Forms 3, 4 and 5 (including amendments thereto and joint filing agreements in connection therewith) in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act and the rules thereunder in the undersigned's capacity as an officer, director or beneficial owner of more than 10% of a registered class of securities of the Company;

(3) Do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned that may be necessary or desirable to prepare and execute any such Form 3, 4 or 5 (including amendments thereto and joint filing agreements in connection therewith) and file such forms with the SEC and any stock exchange, self-regulatory association or any similar authority; and

(4) Take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing that, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required of the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by the 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 the attorney-in-fact may approve in the 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 attorneys-in-fact, and their substitutes, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming (nor is the Company assuming) any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Exchange Act.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the earliest to occur of (a) the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, (b) revocation by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the Company and the foregoing attorneys-in fact or (c) as to any attorney-in-fact individually, until such attorney-in-fact is no longer employed by the Company or Cooley LLP, as applicable.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of the date written below.

Date: 16 - Jun - 2020
By: /s/ Thomas Ciulla
Thomas Ciulla