SAVIENT PHARMACEUTICALS INC

FORM 4
(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *	2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
TENDLER DAVID	**SAVIENT PHARMACEUTICALS INC [SVNT]**	__ **X** __ Director _____ 10% Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle) **C/O TENDLER BERETZ, LLC, 150 E. 52ND STREET, 16TH FLOOR**	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY) **12/30/2005**	_____ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
(Street) **NEW YORK, NY 10022** (City) (State) (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (MM/DD/YYYY)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) _ **X** _ Form filed by One Reporting Person ___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. 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			
Common Stock, $.01 par value per share	**12/30/2005**		**A** (1)		**1002**	**A**	**$3.7400**	**23840.00**	**D**	

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

1. Title of Derivate Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. 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		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 of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Option to Purchase Common Stock, $.01 par value	**$3.7400**	**12/30/2005**		**A** (2)		**5000**		**12/30/2006**	**12/30/2016**	**Common Stock, $.01 par value per share**	**5000.00**	**$3.7400**	**5000.00**	**D**	

Explanation of Responses:

(1) These shares were granted pursuant to the Company's 2004 Incentive Plan, which provides for the grant to non-employee directors of that number of shares of Common Stock having an aggregate fair market value on the last business day of each quarter equal to $3,750.00, until he is no longer an Outside Director. On December 30, 2005, the fair market value of the Common Stock, based on the closing price, was $3.74.

(2) These options will become fully vested and immediately exercisable on 12/30/2006.

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
TENDLER DAVID				

Signatures

By: Beata A. Smith as Attorney-In- **1/3/2006**

C/O TENDLER BERETZ, LLC 150 E. 52ND STREET, 16TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022	**X**			

Fact for

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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