FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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>Kazam Joshua A</u>				Nile	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Nile Therapeutics, Inc. [ NLTX ]								ck all appli	onship of Reporting Pers ill applicable) Director			) to Issuer 10% Ov	vner	
(Last)	(First)	(Mi	ddle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/11/2008										Officer (give title below)			Other (s below)	specify
C/O TWO RIVER GROUP HOLDINGS, LLC 689 FIFTH AVENUE, 12TH FLOOR					4. If A	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person				
(Street) NEW YORK	NY	10	022											Form	filed I	by More t	han On	e Reportin	g Person
(City)	(State)	(Zi	o)																
		Та	ble I - No	n-Der	ivative	Se	ecuritie	s Acc	uired	, Dis	posed of,	, or Benet	icially C	wned					
				2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		)   E	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or E Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Securi Benefi Follow		Owned eported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Code V		Amount	mount (A) or (D)		ce Transa					(Instr. 4)
Common Stock				12/1	12/11/2008				P		4,100	A	\$0.8236	(1) 1,0	1,070,390		D		
Common Stock			12/12	2/2008						4,100	A	\$1.4408	(2) 1,	1,074,490		D			
Common Stock														6	613,841		I		By Kazam Family Trust
Common Stock												1	165,530				By Spouse <sup>(3)</sup>		
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
Derivative Conversion Date Executive (Instr. 3) or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			3A. Deemed Execution I if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/		ate	7. Title and Securities U Derivative S (Instr. 3 and	Inderlying ecurity	8. Price Derivati Security (Instr. 5)	ve s	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported	ly C	0. Ownership form: Direct (D) or Indirect ) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerc	isable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			Transactio Instr. 4)	on(S)		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. This transaction was executed in multiple trades in prices ranging from \$0.59 to \$1.23. The price reported above reflects the weighted average purchase price. The Reporting Person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the Issuer or a stockholder of the Issuer information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.
- 2. This transaction was executed in multiple trades in prices ranging from \$1.25 to \$1.55. The price reported above reflects the weighted average purchase price. The Reporting Person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the Issuer or a stockholder of the Issuer information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.
- 3. Held by the Reporting Person's spouse as custodian for the benefit of their minor child under the Uniform Gift to Minors Act. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein, if any, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of these shares for purposes of Section 16 or any other purpose.

/s/ Daron Evans, Attorney-in-Fact for Joshua A. Kazam

12/12/2008

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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 authorizes Peter M. Strumph, Daron Evans, and David M. Tanen of Nile Therapeutics, Inc. ("Nile"), to execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as a Section 16 reporting person of Nile, Forms 3, 4 and 5, and any amendments thereto, and cause such form(s) to be filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and The NASDAQ Stock Market. 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 personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that each such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney's-in-fact 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, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is Nile assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended or the rules promulgated thereunder.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until 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 Nile, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 29th day of May, 2008.

/s/ Joshua A. Kazam

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Joshua A. Kazam