FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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| | Address of Reporting FRONALD P. | Date of Event Requiring Staten Month/Day/Year 14/19/2018 | nent | 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Surgery Partners, Inc. [SGRY] | | | | | | | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|---|--|--|--|---|---|--------------------|--|---|---|--|
| | (First) GERY PARTNERS EN SPRINGS WAY, | | | | 4. Relationship of Reporting Pers (Check all applicable) Director X Officer (give title below) | | 10% Owner Other (specify below) | | 5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | |
| (Street) BRENTWOOD TN 3 | | 37027 | | | | Senior VP, Oper | | | | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | oblo I Now | Davivati | ivo Co | ecurities Beneficial | ly Overead | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 4) | | | | 2. | . Amou | nt of Securities ally Owned (Instr. 4) | 3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | | 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | 120,733 | 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) | | d 3. Title and Amount of Securi Underlying Derivative Securi | | | 4. Conver | rcise | 5. Ownership Form: | 6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5) | |
| | | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | ı Title | | Amount or Number of Shares | Derivat Securit | tive | Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) | | |

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Exhibit List: Exhibit 24-Power of Attorney

/s/ Angela Justice, Attorney-in-04/23/2018

<u>Fact</u>

** 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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EXHIBIT 24

POWER OF ATTORNEY

THE UNDERSIGNED hereby makes, constitutes and appoints each of Wayne S. DeVeydt, Jennifer Baldock and Angela Justice (each, an "Attorney"), signing singly, with full power of substitution, a true and lawful attorney-in-fact for the undersigned, in the undersigned's name, place and stead and on the undersigned's behalf, to complete, execute and file with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Commission"), one or more initial statements of beneficial ownership of securities, annual statements of beneficial ownership of securities and/or information statements pursuant to Sections 16(a), 13(d) and 13(g) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules and regulations thereunder, and any other forms, certificates, documents or instruments that the Attorney deems necessary or appropriate in order to comply with the requirements of said Sections 16(a), 13(d) and 13(g) and said rules and regulations.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in effect so long as the applicable Attorney is an officer of Surgery Partners, Inc., unless a written revocation thereof is filed with the Commission prior to such date.

Dated: March 30, 2018

By: /s/ Ronald P. Zelhof

Ronald P. Zelhof